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Draw this girl's head 5 inches high. Use pencil. Drawings for March 1957 contest must be received by March 31. None returned. Winner notified. Amateurs only. Our students not eligible. Mail your drawing today!

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SUPERMAN

THROUGHOUT HIS CAREER, SUPERMAN HAS MADE AMAZING USE OF HIS ASTOUNDING EYESIGHT. WITH **TELESCOPIC VISION**, HE HAS SPANNED THE SOLAR SYSTEM-- HIS **MICROSCOPIC VISION** HAS BEEN THE TINIEST DUST PARTICLE-- WHILE HIS **X-RAY VISION** HAS FIERCED EVERY SUBSTANCE EXCEPT LEAD! YET NOW, HIS SIGHT HAS BECOME SO TERRIBLE A THING THAT HE DARE NOT USE IT WHEN FATE MAKES HIM...

THE MAN WITH THE TRIPLE X-RAY EYES

GOSH, MA ...
I-- I FEEL
SORRY FOR
SUPERMAN!

SHH... DON'T
LET HIM HEAR
YOU! YOU
MAY HURT HIS
PRIDE!

ALL RIGHT,
SUPERMAN-- I'VE
STOPPED THE
TRAFFIC... YOU
CAN CROSS NOW!



ONE DAY, AT **METROPOLIS ART MUSEUM**, WHERE CLARK KENT JOINS OTHER REPORTERS ON A BIG STORY...

SO THAT'S THE FAMOUS OLD PAINTING SOMEONE'S TRYING TO SELL THEM, EH, KENT?

YES-- BUT IT COULD BE A FORGERY! THAT'S WHY THEY'RE X-RAYING IT... TO ANALYZE THE AGE OF THE PAINTS AND THE CANVAS UNDERNEATH!

CLIK
CLIK
CLIK



SHORTLY AFTERWARD, HOWEVER...

SORRY, GENTLEMEN-- THE MACHINE IS OUT OF ORDER! YOU'LL HAVE TO WAIT TILL WE GET ANOTHER!

BUT I CAN'T WAIT... I'M EXPECTED ELSEWHERE, AS **SUPERMAN**, IN LESS THAN AN HOUR! HMM-- I KNOW WHAT I'LL DO...



RETURNING TO THE **DAILY PLANET**, CLARK QUICKLY COMES UP WITH A SIMPLE SOLUTION...

WHY WAIT FOR THE NEW X-RAY MACHINE, CHIEF? I'VE WRITTEN **TWO** STORIES... ONE IF THE PAINTING ISN'T A FORGERY-- ONE IF IT IS! JUST KEEP IN TOUCH WITH THE MUSEUM BY PHONE... YOU CAN PRINT THE RIGHT STORY THE MOMENT THEY HAVE THE ANSWER!

NICE WORK, CLARK... YOU CAN START YOUR WEEK'S VACATION RIGHT NOW!



BUT ONCE ALONE, THE MILD-MANNERED REPORTER UNDERGOES A SWIFT CHANGE OF IDENTITY...

AS **SUPERMAN** I PROMISED TO ATTEND THE DEDICATION OF A GIANT STATUE OF GENERAL VAN STURTANT, ABOUT TO BE UNVEILED IN **METROPOLIS SQUARE**! I'D BETTER HURRY, OR I'LL BE LATE...

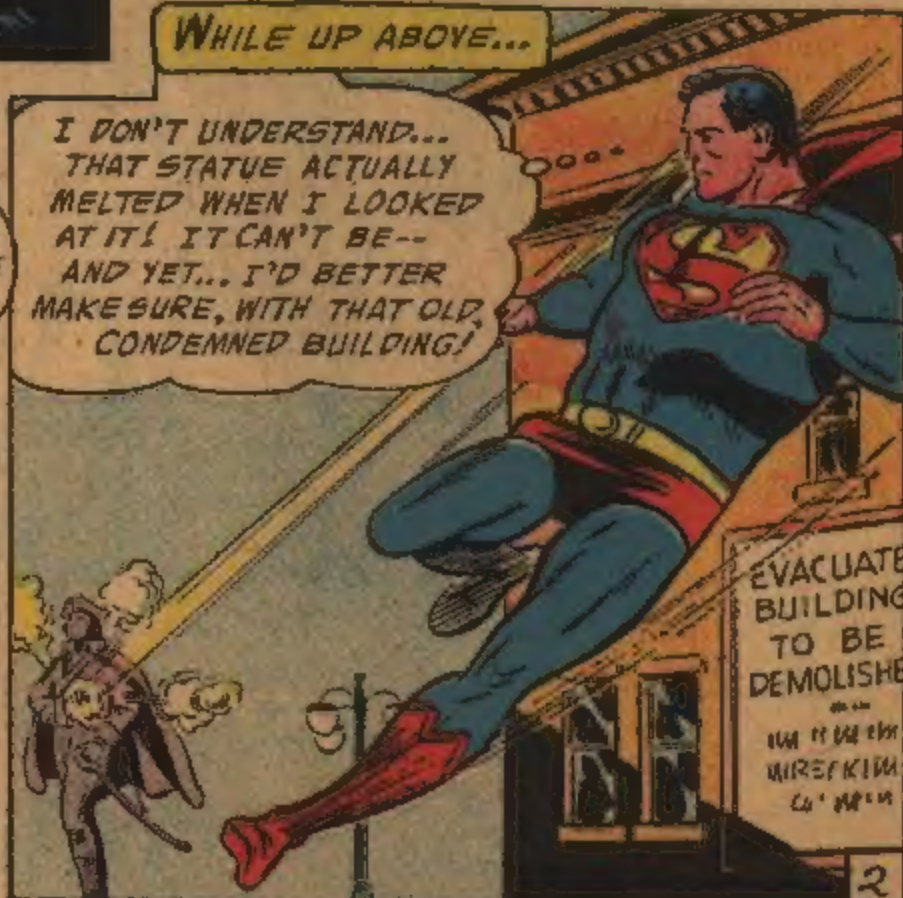


WHILE UP ABOVE...

MINUTES LATER, IN **METROPOLIS SQUARE**...

SUPERMAN WILL SOON BE HERE AND... WH-WHAT? A TERRIBLE HEAT RAY... BORING A HOLE-- MELTING THE STATUE!

I DON'T UNDERSTAND... THAT STATUE ACTUALLY MELTED WHEN I LOOKED AT IT! IT CAN'T BE-- AND YET... I'D BETTER MAKE SURE, WITH THAT OLD, CONDEMNED BUILDING!



EVACUATE BUILDING TO BE DEMOLISHED
WIRE KILL
WIRE KILL



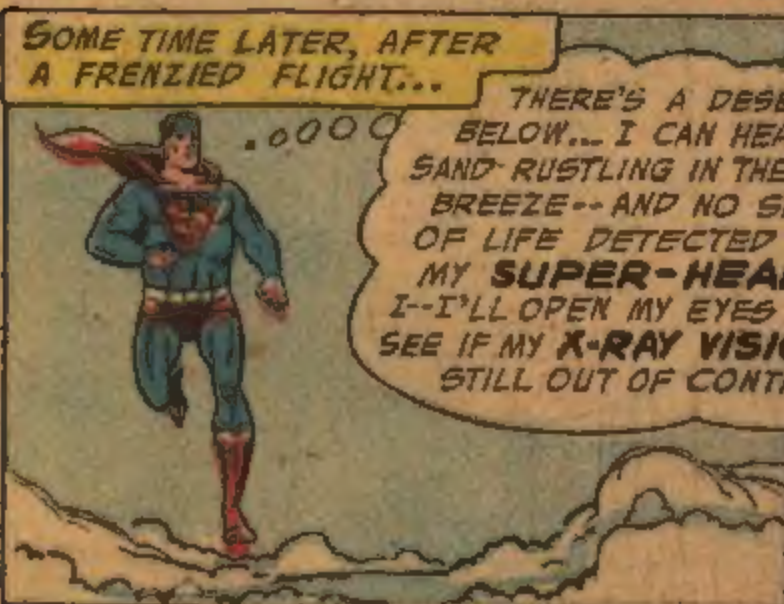
ABRUPTLY...

IT--IT IS MY SIGHT
THAT CAUSES IT!
SOMETHING MUST
HAVE GONE WRONG
WITH MY X-RAY
VISION!

**SUPERMAN! YOUR
X-RAY VISION...
TURN IT OFF! TURN
IT OFF BEFORE
YOU BURN UP
THE CITY!**



I--I CAN'T TURN
IT OFF! I'LL HAVE
TO CLOSE MY EYES
AND FLY BLIND--
TILL IT WEARS
OFF! MUST GET
AWAY FROM
METROPOLIS,
TOO, IN CASE
I OPEN THEM
BY CHANCE!



**SOME TIME LATER, AFTER
A FRENZIED FLIGHT...**

THERE'S A DESERT
BELOW... I CAN HEAR THE
SAND RUSTLING IN THE
BREEZE-- AND NO SIGNS
OF LIFE DETECTED BY
MY **SUPER-HEARING**
I--I'LL OPEN MY EYES AGAIN...
SEE IF MY **X-RAY VISION** IS
STILL OUT OF CONTROL!



IT IS-- AND GROWING WORSE,
TOO! WHAT COULD HAVE CAUSED
IT? I--I'LL HAVE TO STAY AWAY
FROM METROPOLIS, UNLESS...
HMM--THERE'S ONE SOLUTION...

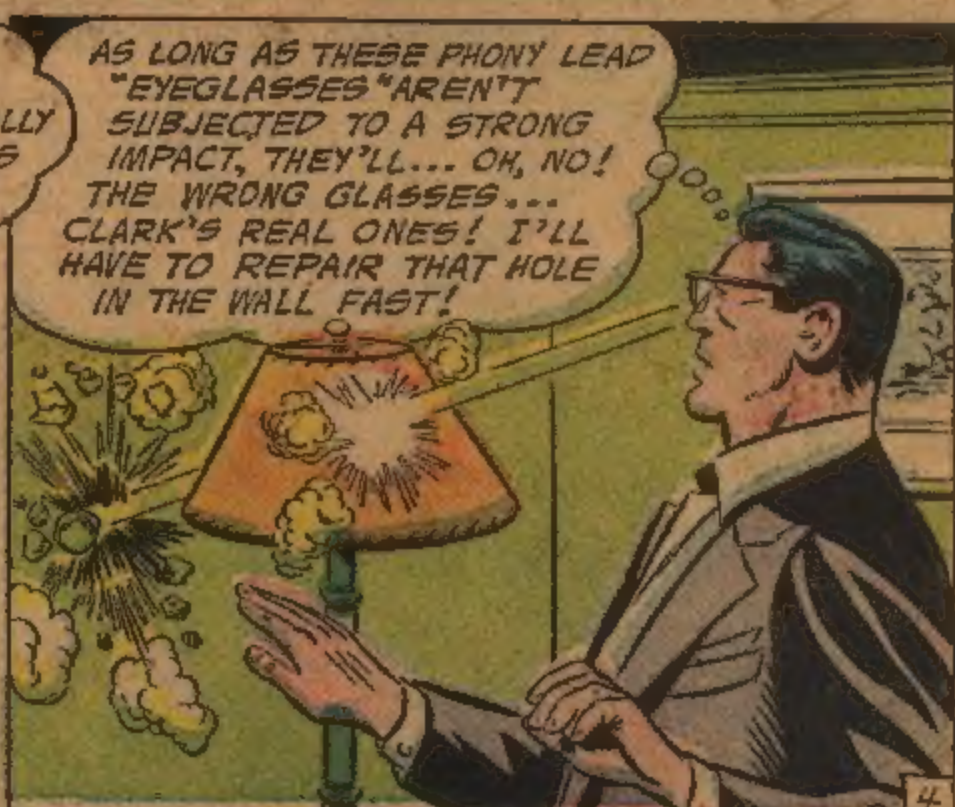
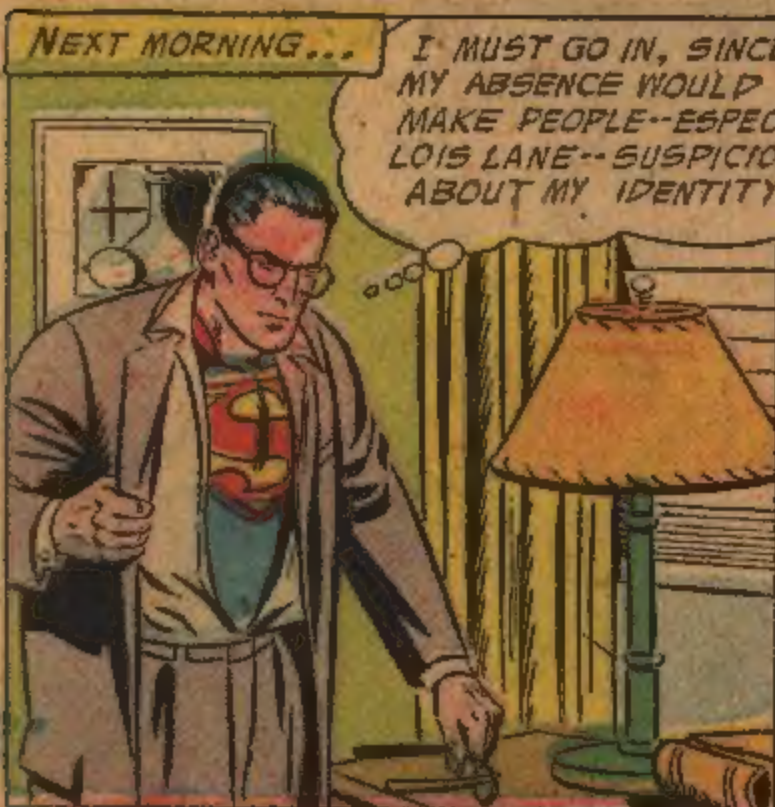
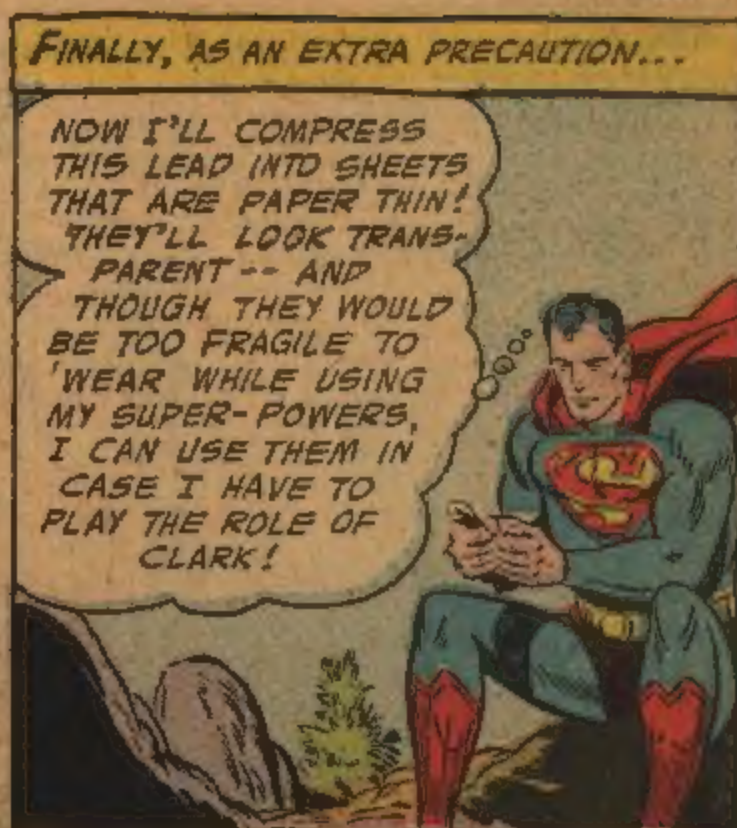


**LIKE A HUMAN DRILL, SUPERMAN DIVES DEEP INTO
THE EARTH AND BORES ABOUT SWIFTLY...**

I'LL RECOGNIZE IT WHEN
I TOUCH IT... MY FINGERS
ARE **SUPER-SENSITIVE!**

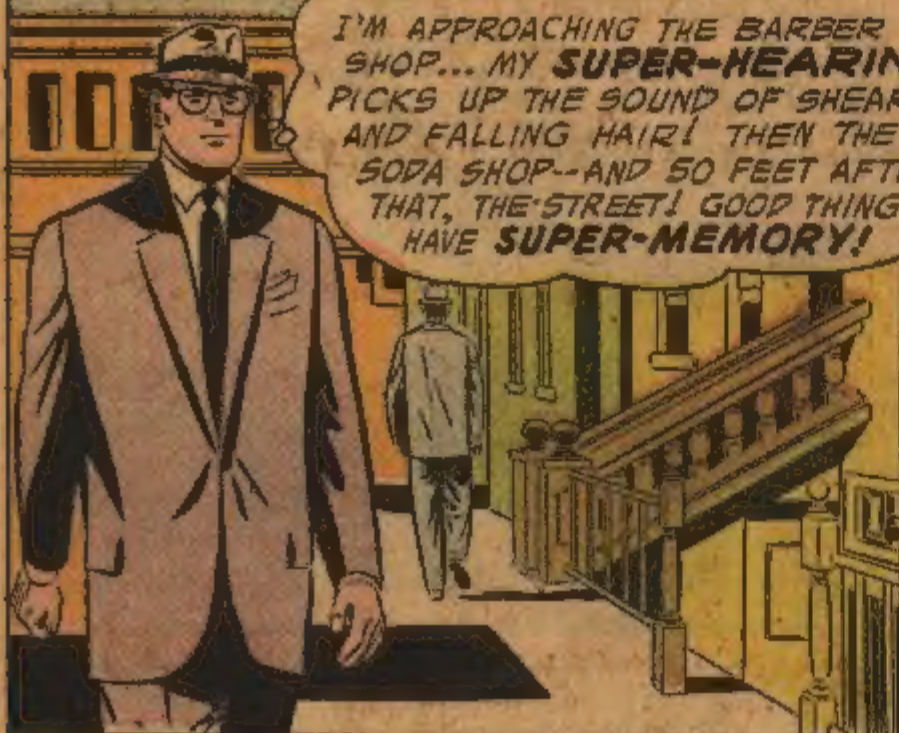


AH--AT LAST! A HUGE DEPOSIT
OF LEAD ORE--THE ONE
MATERIAL IMPERVIOUS TO
MY **X-RAY VISION!** I'LL
TAKE A HUGE CHUNK OF IT...



WITH THE WALL REPAIRED, A SUPER-CAUTIOUS CLARK KENT STRIDES DOWN THE STREET, GUIDED BY A STRANGE KIND OF RADAR...

I'M APPROACHING THE BARBER SHOP... MY **SUPER-HEARING** PICKS UP THE SOUND OF SHEARS AND FALLING HAIR! THEN THE SODA SHOP--AND 50 FEET AFTER THAT, THE STREET! GOOD THING I HAVE **SUPER-MEMORY**!



PRESENTLY...

SORRY TO CANCEL YOUR VACATION, CLARK, BUT THIS STORY MUST GET FULL COVERAGE! WRITE ME A FEATURE ON IT--RIGHT AWAY!

THAT'LL BE EASY, SINCE I KNOW THE TYPEWRITER KEYS BY HEART!



DAILY PLANET
WHAT WENT WRONG WITH SUPERMAN'S X-RAY VISION?
SCIENTISTS CONVEGE TO DISCUSS BAFFLING AND TERRIBLE PHENOMENON

BUT AS CLARK BEGINS TYPING, HE IS UNAWARE OF THE STRANGE, SPECULATIVE GLANCE LOIS CASTS AT HIM...

NOW'S MY CHANCE TO SEE IF CLARK IS **SUPERMAN**! IF HE IS, HE WON'T DARE USE HIS EYES TO LOOK AT ANYTHING--FOR FEAR HE'LL BURN IT TO A CRISP! I'VE GOT AN IDEA...



CLARK--WOULD YOU PLEASE READ THIS ARTICLE WHICH I'VE JUST WRITTEN ON **SUPERMAN**? I'D LIKE YOUR OPINION!

WHY--ER--SURE, PUT IT DOWN, LOIS! I'LL--UH--GET TO IT AS SOON AS I FINISH MY ARTICLE!



A SHORT WHILE LATER...

LET'S SEE..."MANY STRANGE AND ASTOUNDING INCIDENTS HAVE OCCURRED IN THE PAST, IN CONNECTION WITH **SUPERMAN'S X-RAY VISION**. ONCE..."

HE... HE'S READING IT--EVERY WORD--JUST AS I WROTE IT! IF HE WERE **SUPERMAN**--AND THOSE WERE LEAD GLASSES, HE COULDN'T POSSIBLY SEE THROUGH THEM!



WHEN CLARK FINISHES...

AN EXCELLENT ARTICLE, LOIS-- BUT YOU MISPELLED THE WORD "INDEFATIGABLE," ON THE FOURTH LINE!

GULP--TH--THANK YOU... I--ER-- APPRECIATE YOUR HELP!



CAN YOU GUESS HOW THE SIGHTLESS CLARK HAS READ EVERY LINE OF LOIS' STORY?

AND HOW WILL HE FARE, THAT AFTERNOON, AS HE PATROLS THE CITY IN HIS SUPER-OARB?...

SUPERMAN!
RIGHT BELOW YOU! CROOKS JUST ROBBED THAT JEWELRY STORE!

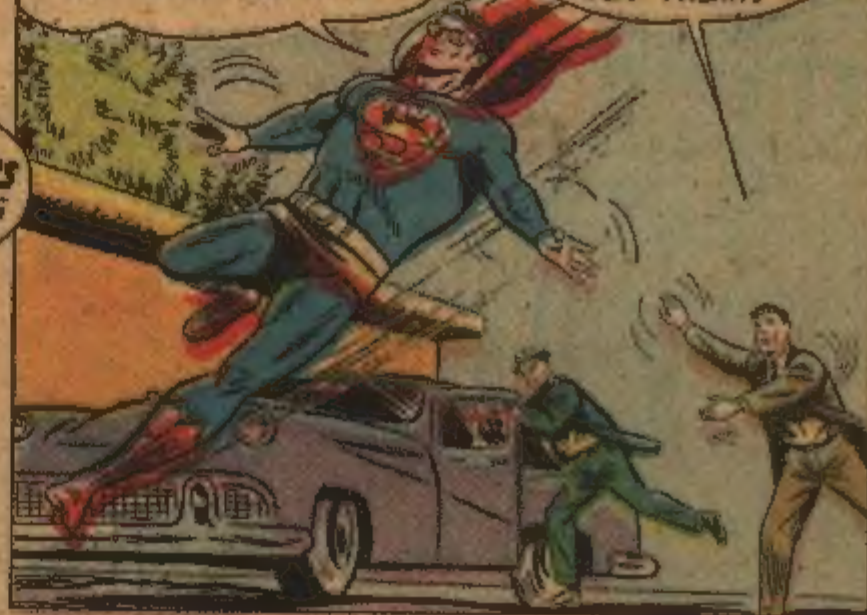
WH--WHERE?
I--I CAN'T SEE THEM!

HA, HA!
SUPERMAN'S
NOT GETTING US!



SO MANY FOOTSTEPS-- I CAN'T TELL WHICH ARE THEIRS! WHAT DIRECTION DID THEY TAKE?

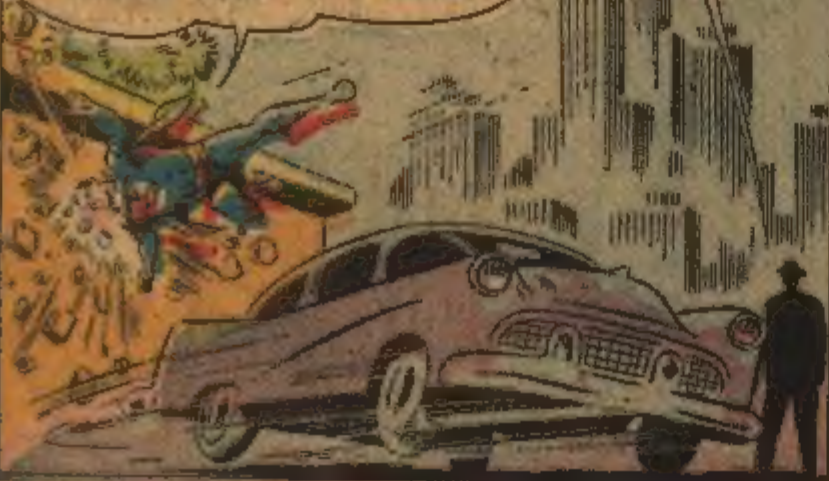
TO YOUR RIGHT! BEHIND YOU! GET THEM!



BUT AS **SUPERMAN** LUNGES FOR THE CAPTURE...

SPEEDING AWAY IN THEIR CAR!

I--I'M LOST! WHATEVER I BROKE, I'LL FIX LATER! WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



THAT'S A BREAK FOR ME! I CAN HEAR MANY CARS-- BUT THE ONE GOING FASTER THAN ANY OTHER-- MUST BE THEIRS! THE SPEED OF THEIR MOTOR WILL GUIDE ME RIGHT TO THEM!



MOMENTS LATER...

HOW--HOW DID HE KNOW IT WAS US? HE CAN'T SEE A THING!

NOW, BY FOLLOWING FAMILIAR NOISES AGAIN, I'LL TAKE THEM TO POLICE HEADQUARTERS! AFTER THAT, I HAVE AN APPOINTMENT WITH A GROUP OF SCIENTISTS!



SHORTLY...

GLAD YOU CAME, **SUPERMAN**! WE'VE ALL AGREED THAT SOMEHOW, YOUR EYES RECEIVED A STRONG DOSE OF RADIATION, WHICH INTENSIFIED YOUR **X-RAY VISION** SO THAT YOU CAN'T CONTROL IT!

THAT'S WHAT I'VE BEEN THINKING! WHAT DO YOU GENTLEMEN RECOMMEND I DO?



WE'VE OBSERVED A STRANGE COMET BETWEEN EARTH AND SUN! THAT MAY BE CAUSING RADIATIONS--SO IF YOU CAN DESTROY IT...

BUT THAT'S IMPRACTICAL! IF I OPEN MY EYES TO SEE IT, I MIGHT BURN A HOLE IN THE MOON--OR OVER HEAT THE SUN!

BUT THE SCIENTISTS HAVE SOLVED THAT PROBLEM, TOO, AS SUPERMAN DISCOVERS WHEN THEY LEAD HIM OUTSIDE...

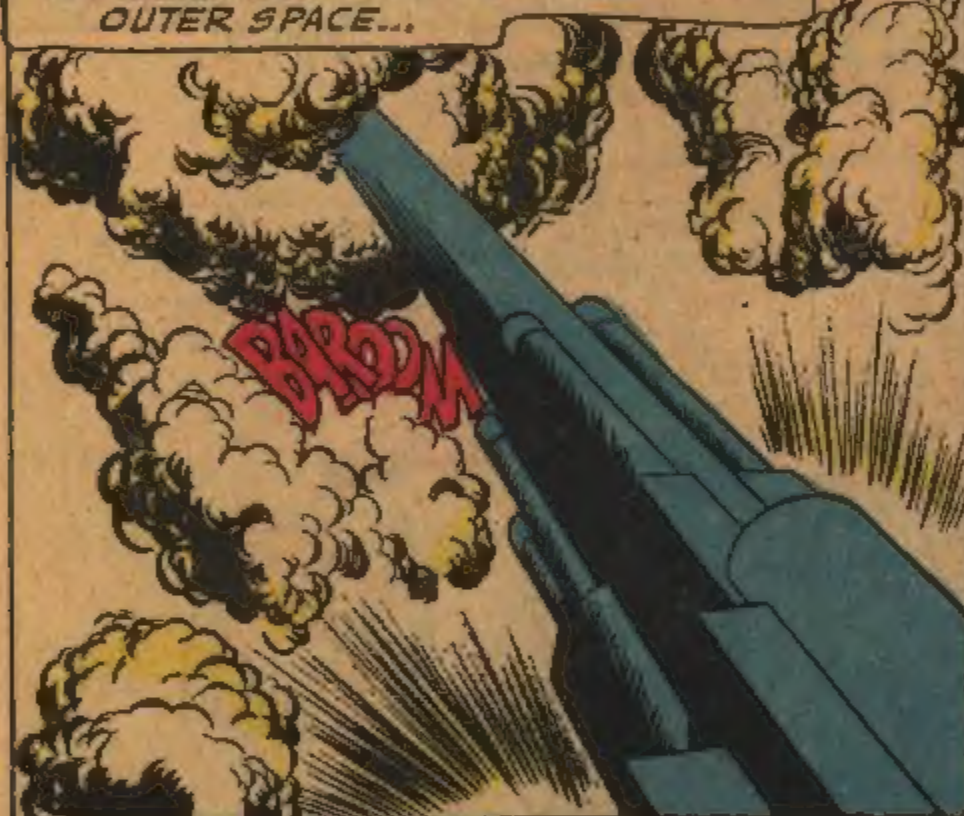


WE'VE COMPUTED ITS ORBIT EXACTLY--AND CAN SHOOT YOU FROM THIS ROCKET GUN! ONCE OUT OF EARTH'S ATMOSPHERE, YOU'LL PICK UP SPEED AND CRASH RIGHT INTO IT!

HMM... IT'S WORTH A TRY!



CLIMBING INTO THE MIGHTY GUN, THE MAN OF STEEL SOON GOES HURLING TOWARD OUTER SPACE...



SPECIAL RADIO SIGNALS WILL NOW GUIDE ME BACK TO EARTH, WHERE THEY'VE ARRANGED A TEST TO SEE IF THE DESTRUCTION OF THIS COMET RETURNS MY EYESIGHT TO NORMAL!

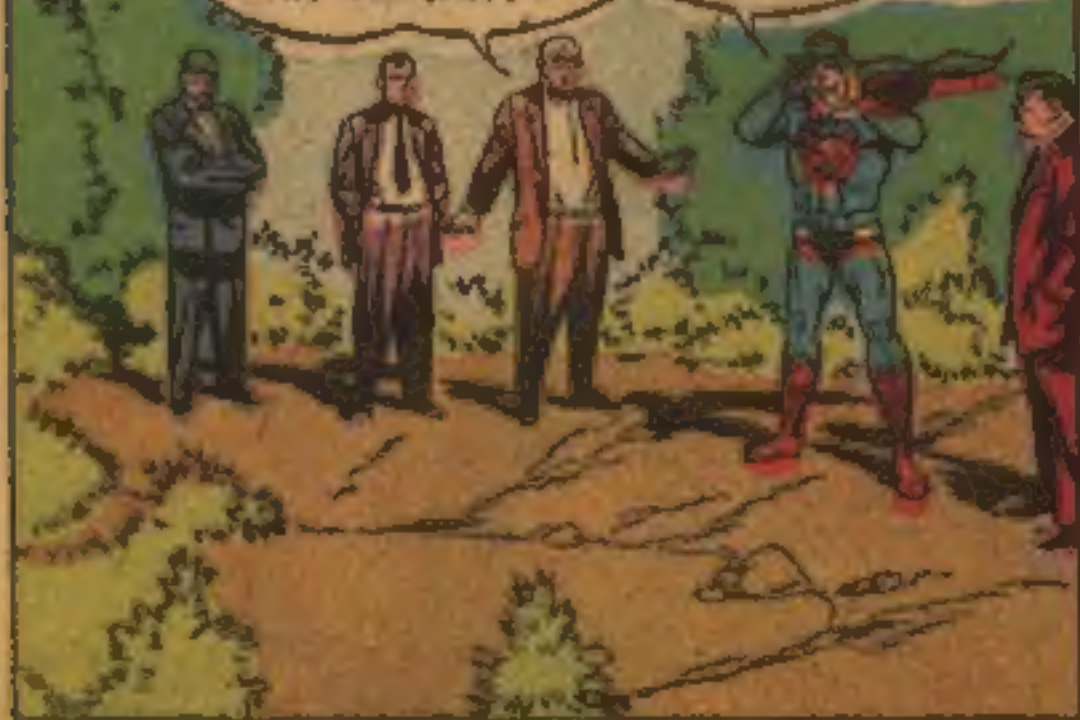
AND AS HE NEARS THE ALIEN COMET...



SOON...

ALL RIGHT, **SUPERMAN!**
REMOVE YOUR
GOGGLES FOR
AN INSTANT!

CERTAINLY--EVERY-
BODY STEP BACK!
I'M OPENING
MY EYES...



NO SOONER DOES HE RAISE HIS LIDS THAN...

INCREDIBLE! THE INTENSE
HEAT HAS TRANSFORMED
THE WATER TO HOT STEAM--
DRIED UP THE POND!

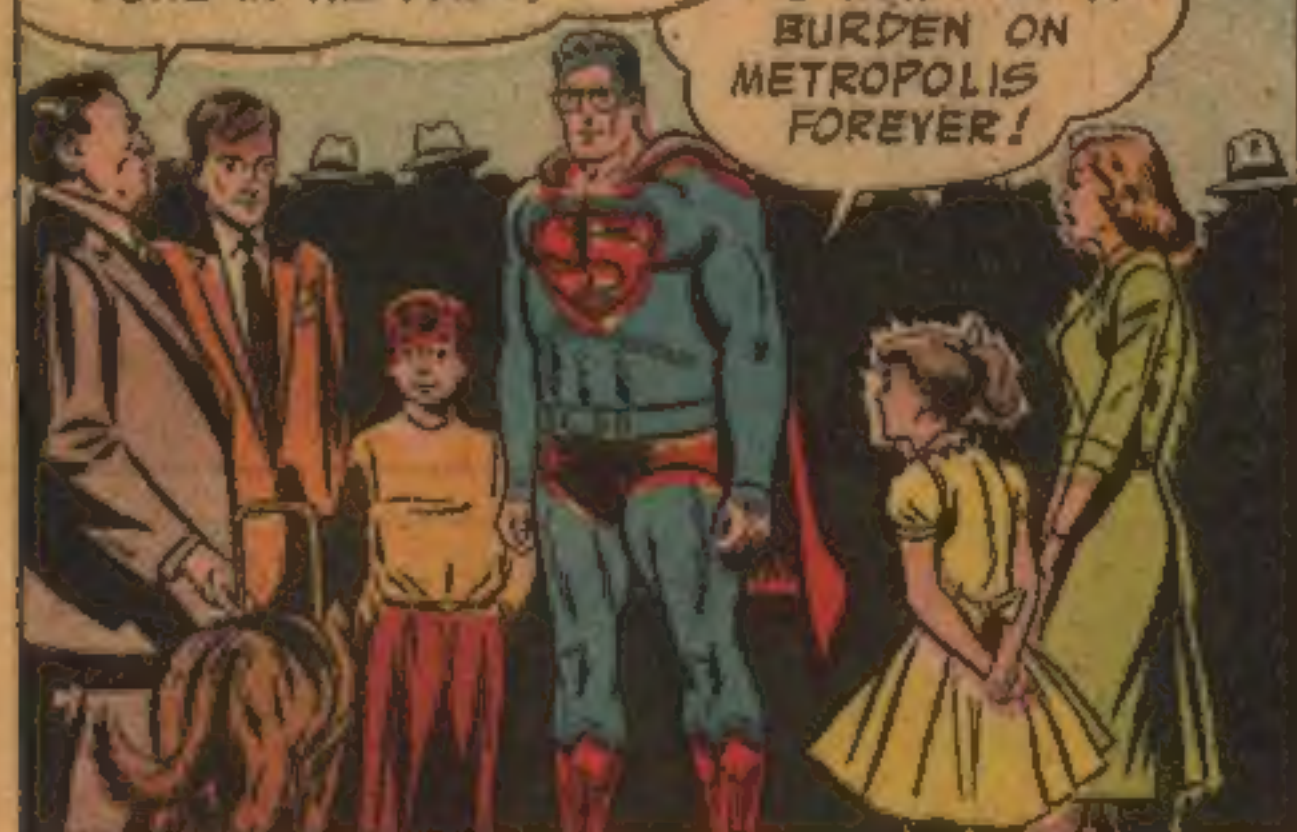
SO IT WASN'T THE
COMET! HMM... I
THINK I KNOW NOW
WHAT IT MUST HAVE
BEEN-- BUT I HAVEN'T
THE FAINTEST IDEA OF
HOW TO CHANGE
IT!



LATER, BACK IN METROPOLIS...

FOR YOU, **SUPERMAN**, A
SEEING-EYE DOG, FROM
THE PEOPLE OF METROPOLIS,
WHO APPRECIATE ALL YOU'VE
DONE IN THE PAST!

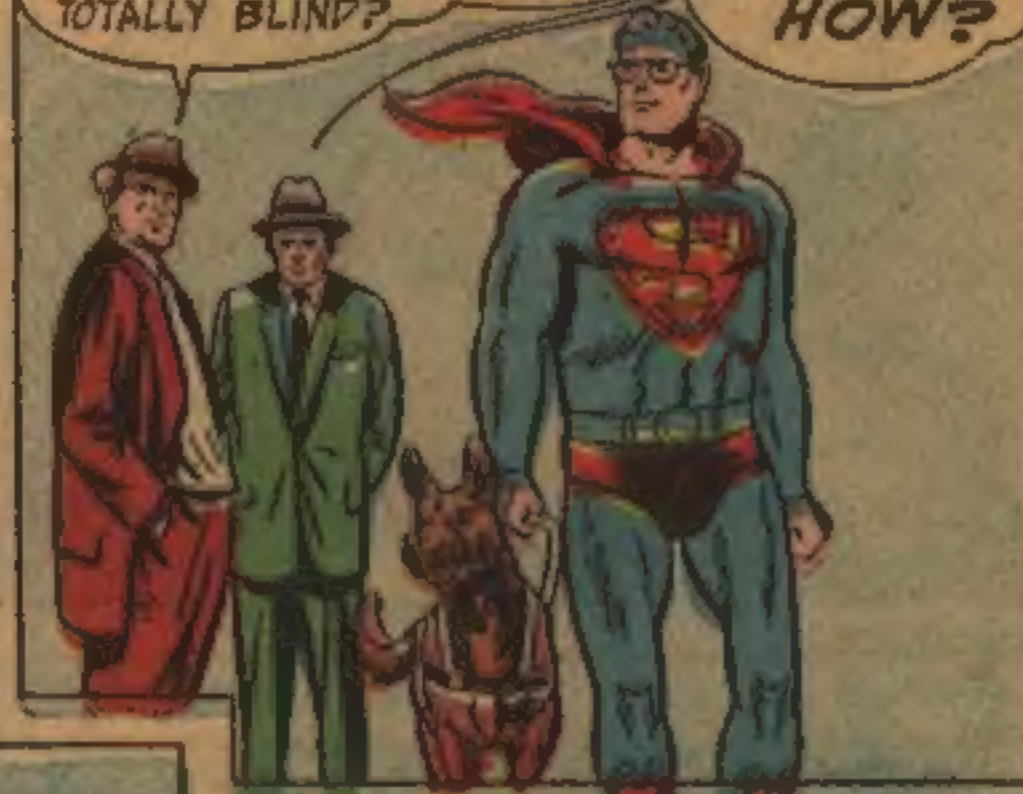
GULP! TH-
THANK YOU,
MR. MAYOR...
I--I ONLY HOPE
I WON'T BE A
BURDEN ON
METROPOLIS
FOREVER!



CAN YOU GUESS WHAT **SUPERMAN** HAS DEDUCED?
AND HAVE YOU FIGURED OUT, YET, HOW HE
WAS ABLE TO READ LOIS' STORY?

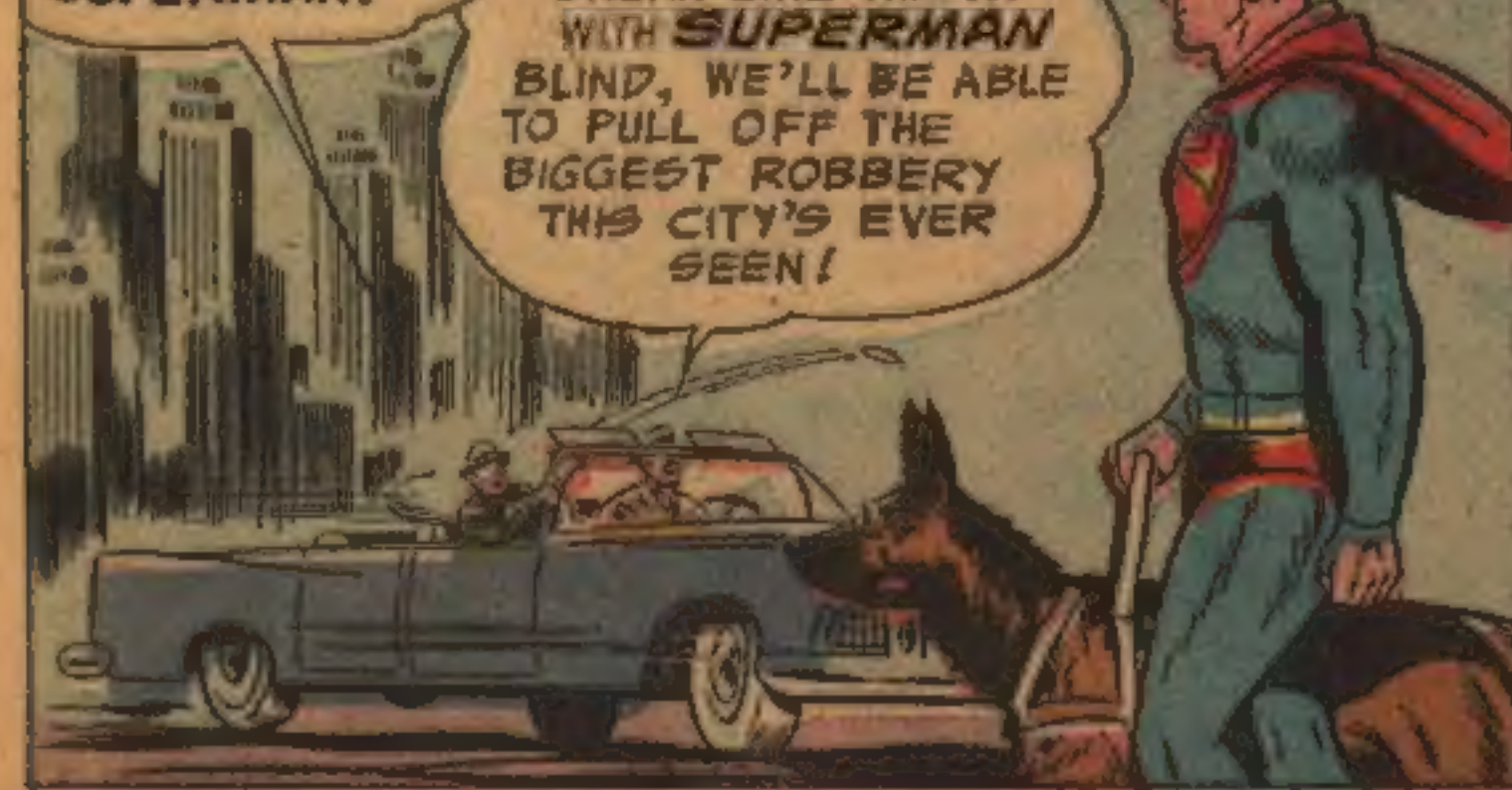
I WONDER HOW HE FEELS...
SUPERMAN, WHO COULD
ONCE SEE CLEAR ACROSS
THE UNIVERSE--NOW
TOTALLY BLIND?

I WISH
WE COULD
HELP HIM
MORE... BUT
HOW?



HA, HA... A NICKEL FOR
THE BLIND
BEGGAR! CATCH,
SUPERMAN!

WE CAN AFFORD
IT! THE BOSS HAS
BEEN WAITING FOR A
BREAK LIKE THIS...
WITH **SUPERMAN**
BLIND, WE'LL BE ABLE
TO PULL OFF THE
BIGGEST ROBBERY
THIS CITY'S EVER
SEEN!



MEANWHILE, AT POLICE
HEADQUARTERS...

THIS PLAN OF **SUPERMAN'S** IS
SURE TO WORK! HE'S WRITTEN
DOWN JUST WHAT WE CAN DO--
SO THAT HE CAN USE HIS SUPER-
POWERS PERFECTLY, DESPITE HIS
BLINDNESS! GET EVERY AVAILABLE
MAN BUSY ON IT AT ONCE!



THUS, AWHILE LATER, WHEN A SUDDEN EMERGENCY CROPS UP...

SUPERMAN!
TROUBLE AT SEA.
FLY STRAIGHT UP,
WHEREVER YOU
ARE!

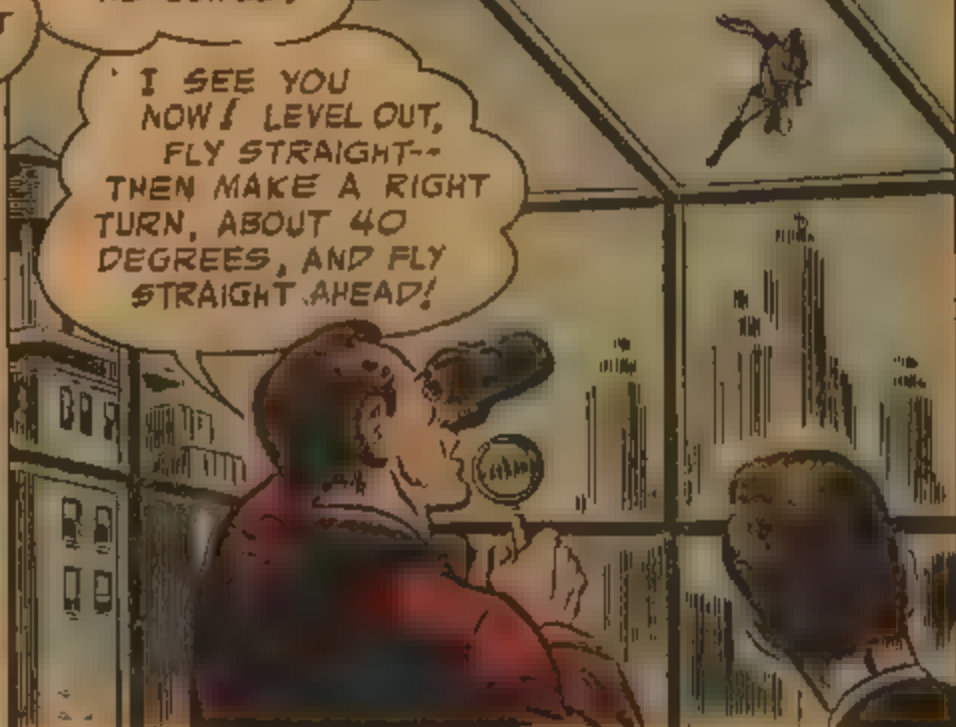
OH, OH-- WAIT
HERE FOR ME,
BOY... I'LL BE RIGHT
BACK-- I HOPE!



NEXT MOMENT...

AH-- THERE
HE COMES!

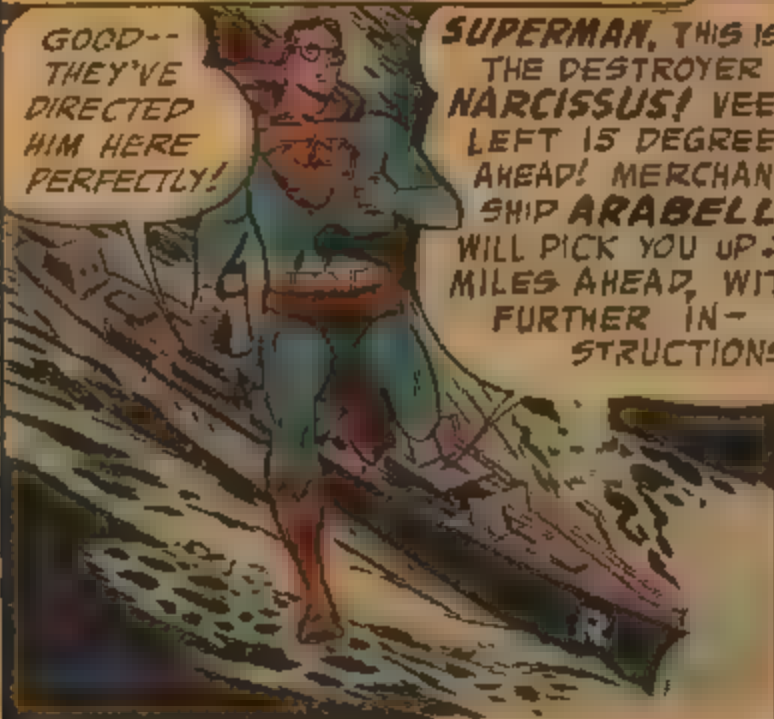
I SEE YOU
NOW! LEVEL OUT,
FLY STRAIGHT--
THEN MAKE A RIGHT
TURN, ABOUT 40
DEGREES, AND FLY
STRAIGHT AHEAD!



AND AS **SUPERMAN** FOLLOWS HIS INSTRUCTIONS TO THE LETTER...

GOOD--
THEY'VE
DIRECTED
HIM HERE
PERFECTLY!

SUPERMAN, THIS IS
THE DESTROYER
NARCISSUS! VEER
LEFT 15 DEGREES
AHEAD! MERCHANT
SHIP **ARABELLE**
WILL PICK YOU UP 200
MILES AHEAD, WITH
FURTHER IN-
STRUCTIONS!



FOLLOWING A SWIFT JOURNEY NORTHWARD, FROM SHIP TO SHIP...

ANDY, **SUPERMAN**! WE'VE
CALLED YOU TO DESTROY A
GIANT ICEBERG FIELD!
REMOVE YOUR GOGGLES
AND LOOK DOWN, AT ABOUT
A 70-DEGREE ANGLE!



ABRUPTLY, THE ICY SEA BECOMES A SEETHING INFERNO OF STEAM...

SURE GLAD I CAN
PUT MY AILING EYES
TO **SOME** GOOD USE!



THEN, AS HE RETRACES HIS TRAIL TO METROPOLIS...

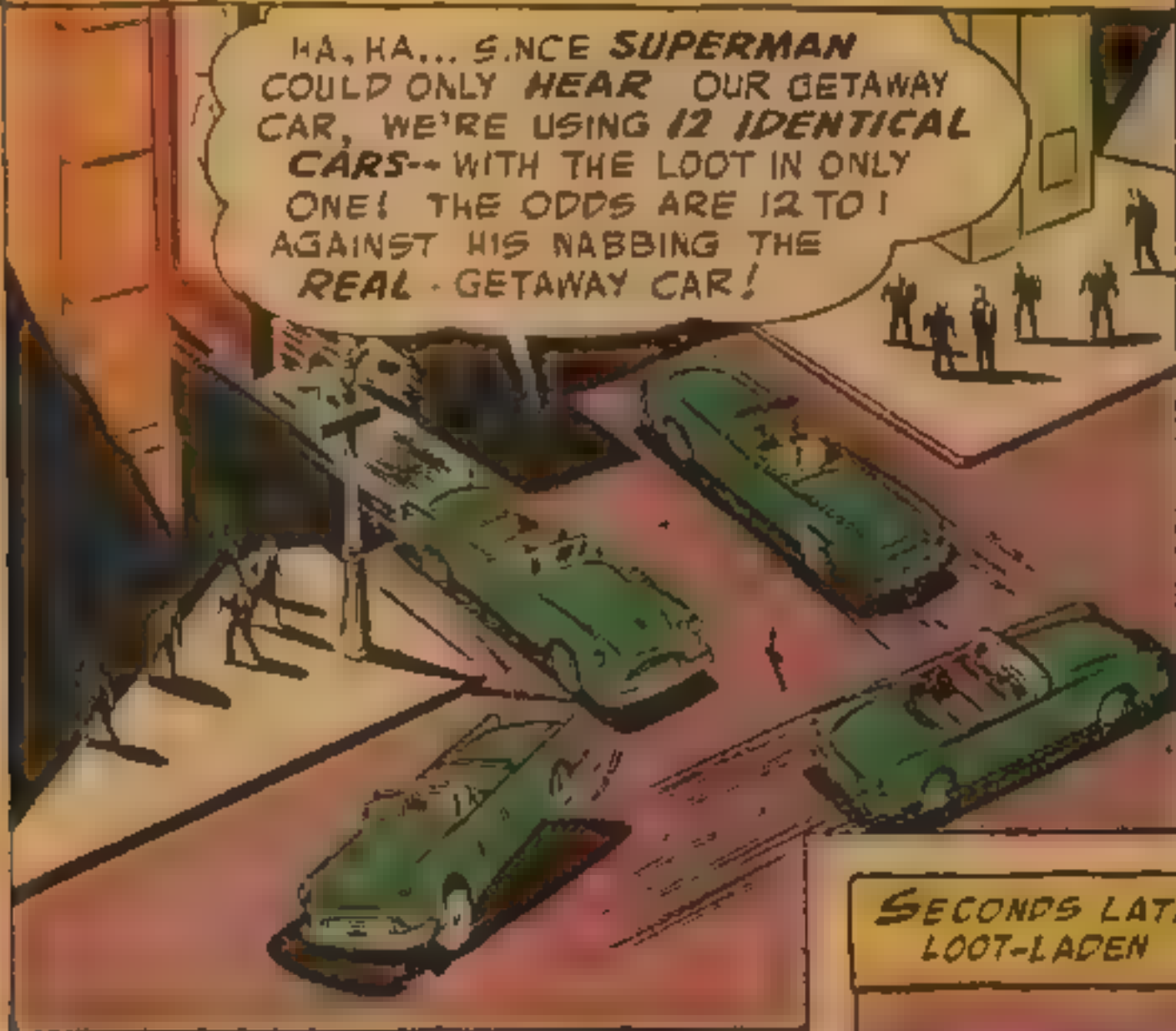
IT'S GOOD TO KNOW
THAT I'M NOT A
BURDEN ON ANYONE...
THAT I CAN STILL
BE HELPFUL IN
AN EMERGENCY!





BUT NEXT MORNING, WHEN CRIMINALS STRIKE AGAIN...

HA, HA... SINCE **SUPERMAN** COULD ONLY **HEAR** OUR GETAWAY CAR, WE'RE USING **12 IDENTICAL CARS**-- WITH THE LOOT IN ONLY ONE! THE ODDS ARE 12 TO 1 AGAINST HIS NABbing THE **REAL** GETAWAY CAR!



YET, AS THE MAN OF STEEL STREAKS TO THE RESCUE...

H-HE'S COMING STRAIGHT FOR US! BUT HOW?... HE CAN'T SEE A THING! WHAT'S GUIDING HIM?



SECONDS LATER, IN THE PATH OF THE LOOT-LADEN VEHICLE...

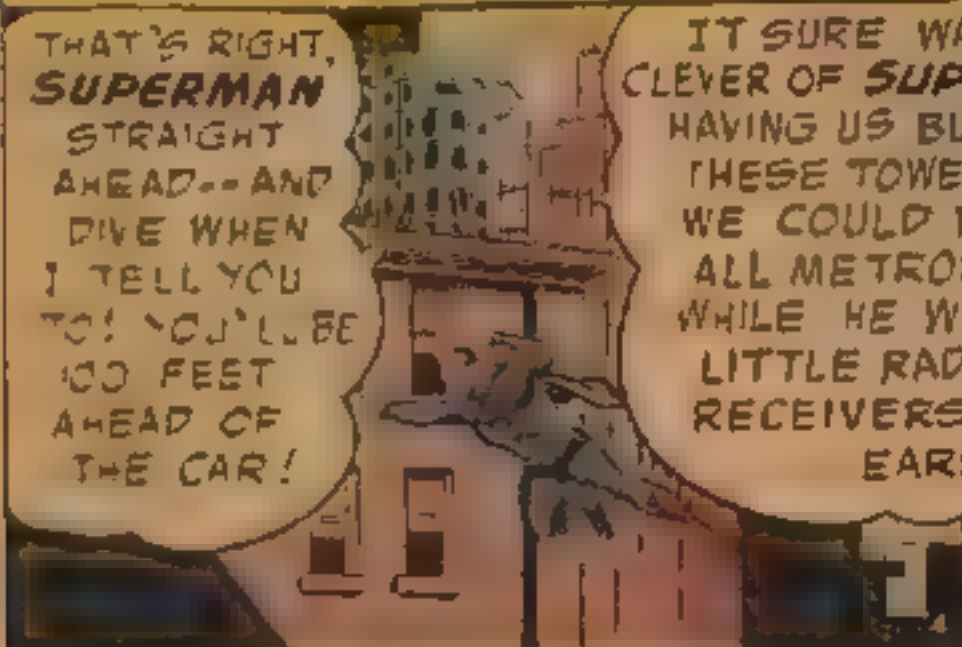
ACCORDING TO THE OBSERVATION TOWER, THE CAR'S BRAKING TO A SUDDEN STOP! I DON'T WANT THEM TO GET OUT AND START SHOOTING--SO I'LL HAVE TO WORK FAST!



THE ANSWER LIES HIGH ABOVE, IN A HASTILY BUILT OBSERVATION TOWER..

THAT'S RIGHT, **SUPERMAN** STRAIGHT AHEAD--AND DIVE WHEN I TELL YOU TO! YOU'LL BE 100 FEET AHEAD OF THE CAR!

IT SURE WAS CLEVER OF **SUPERMAN**, HAVING US BUILD THESE TOWERS SO WE COULD WATCH ALL METROPOLIS, WHILE HE WEARS LITTLE RADIO RECEIVERS IN HIS EARS!



ON TO METROPOLIS JAIL, WHILE THE POLICE NAB YOUR PALS IN THE OTHER 11 AUTOS!

GOSH--I DON'T KNOW HOW **SUPERMAN** DOES IT... BUT DESPITE HIS HANDICAP, HE'S SURE KEPT CRIME AT A STANDSTILL!



BUT, IN THE DAYS THAT FOLLOW, NO MATTER WHAT REMEDIES SUPERMAN TRIES FOR HIS AILMENT...

IT'S NO USE, **SUPERMAN**!-- YOUR VISION IS STILL OUT OF CONTROL! PUT YOUR GOGGLES BACK ON!





AND, WEEKS LATER, WITH METROPOLIS GROWN ACCUSTOMED TO ITS BLINDED HERO...



HURRY, SUPERMAN... FOLLOW OUR DIRECTIONS! A TREMENDOUS FOREST FIRE-- YOUR HELP IS NEEDED AT ONCE!

WITHIN MINUTES, AT THE SITE OF THE BLAZE...

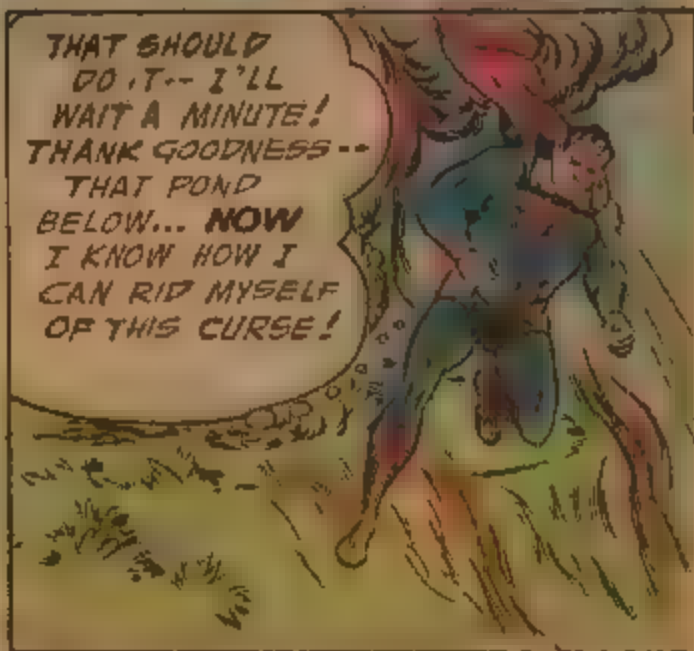
THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO FIGHT THIS FIRE SUPERMAN-- WITH MORE FIRE! CIRCLE AROUND THE AREA, AND UNLEASH YOUR X-RAY VISION!



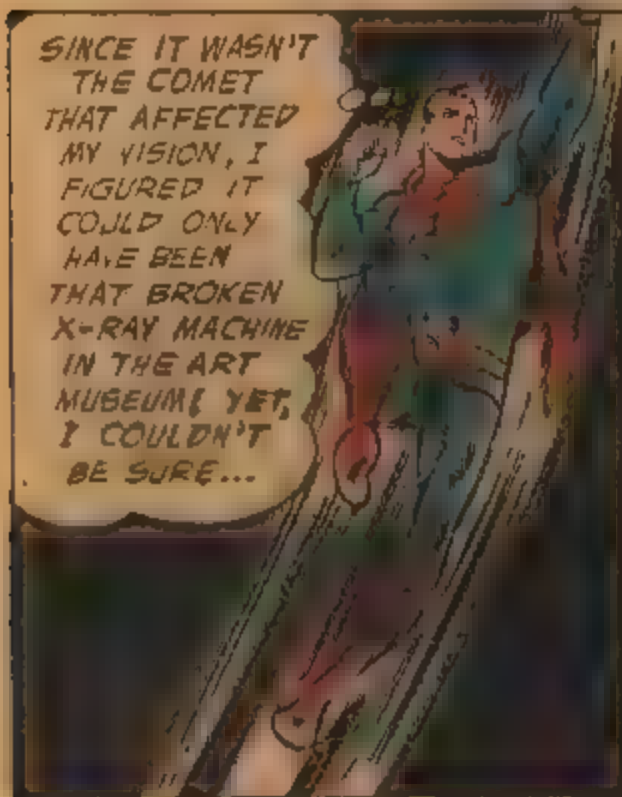
GOOD IDEA... THEY CAN PUT OUT THE FLAMES I'M MAKING-- SO WHEN THE REAL FOREST FIRE REACHES THAT AREA, IT'LL HAVE NOWHERE TO SPREAD-- AND WILL DIE DOWN!



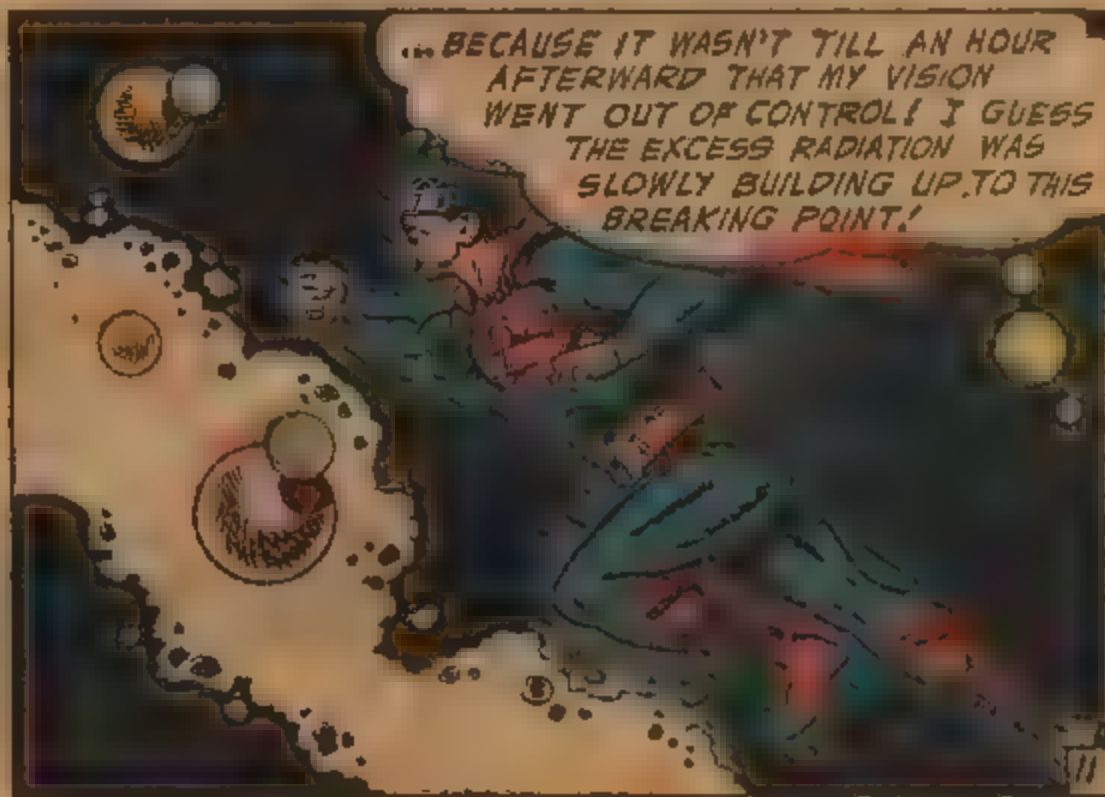
THAT SHOULD DO IT-- I'LL WAIT A MINUTE! THANK GOODNESS-- THAT POND BELOW... NOW I KNOW HOW I CAN RID MYSELF OF THIS CURSE!

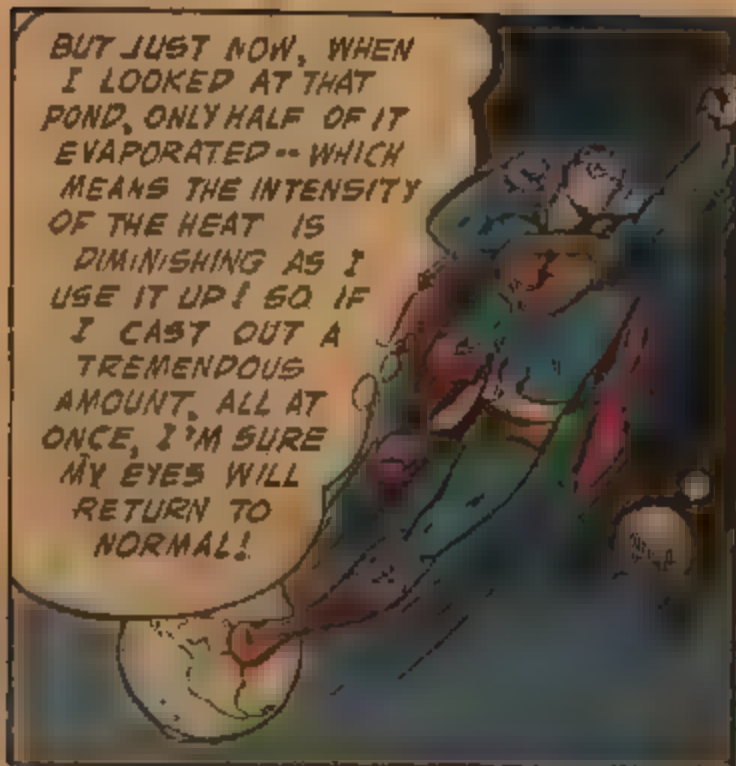


SINCE IT WASN'T THE COMET THAT AFFECTED MY VISION, I FIGURED IT COULD ONLY HAVE BEEN THAT BROKEN X-RAY MACHINE IN THE ART MUSEUM! YET, I COULDN'T BE SURE...



...BECAUSE IT WASN'T TILL AN HOUR AFTERWARD THAT MY VISION WENT OUT OF CONTROL! I GUESS THE EXCESS RADIATION WAS SLOWLY BUILDING UP TO THIS BREAKING POINT!



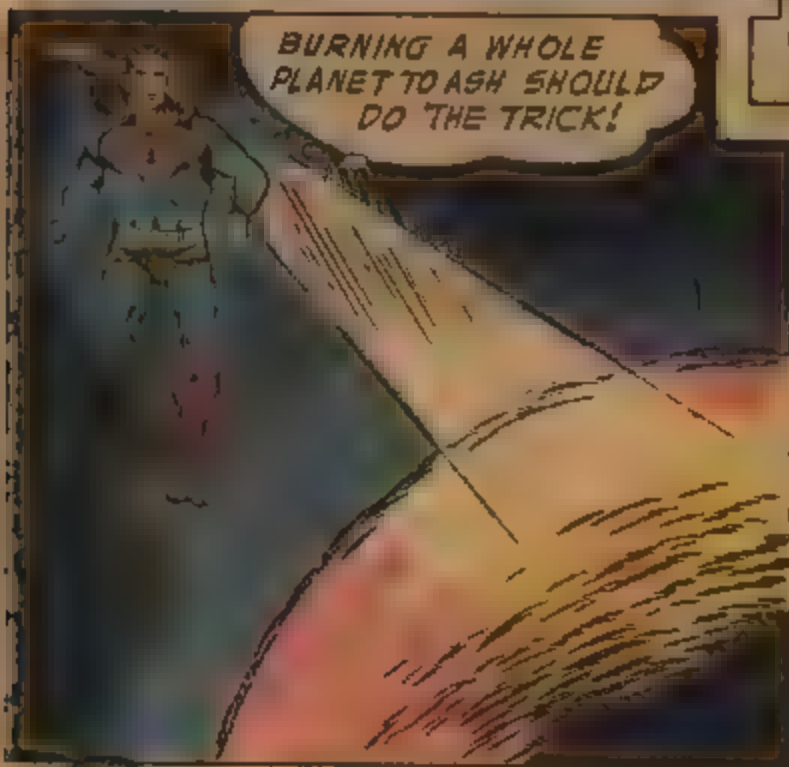


BUT JUST NOW, WHEN I LOOKED AT THAT POND, ONLY HALF OF IT EVAPORATED-- WHICH MEANS THE INTENSITY OF THE HEAT IS DIMINISHING AS I USE IT UP! SO IF I CAST OUT A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT, ALL AT ONCE, I'M SURE MY EYES WILL RETURN TO NORMAL!

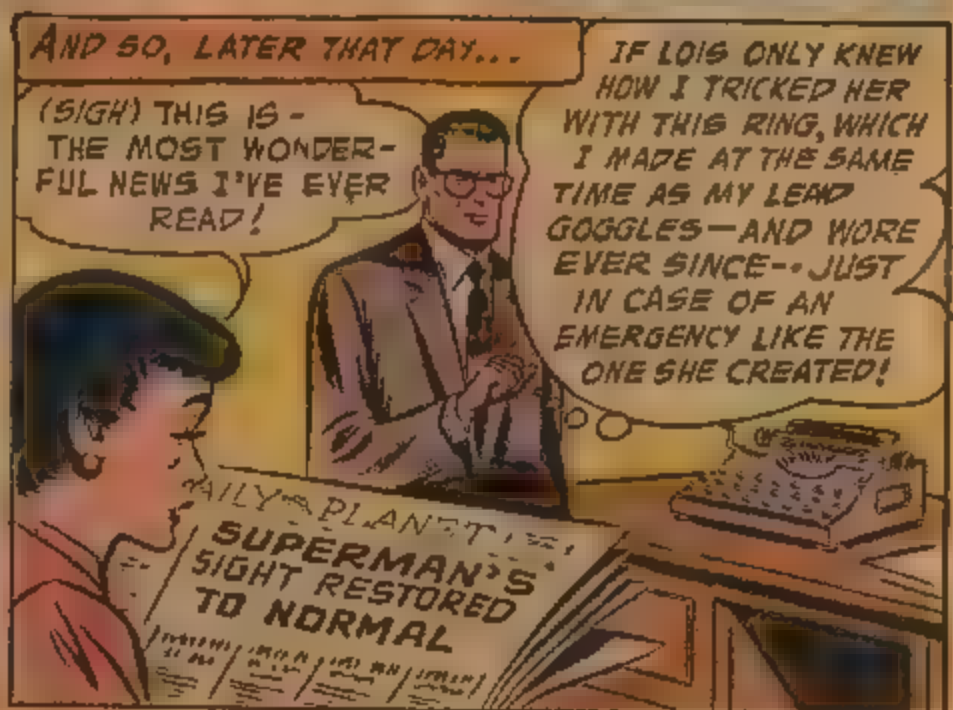


SOON, MILLIONS OF MILES AWAY FROM OUR SOLAR SYSTEM...

I'VE LISTENED IN ON THIS PLANET FROM EVERY POSSIBLE ANGLE... IT'S COMPLETELY DEAD! NOW TO REMOVE MY GOGGLES AND EXPEND EVERY BIT OF X-RAY HEAT I CAN...



BURNING A WHOLE PLANET TO ASH SHOULD DO THE TRICK!



AND SO, LATER THAT DAY...

(SIGH) THIS IS - THE MOST WONDERFUL NEWS I'VE EVER READ!

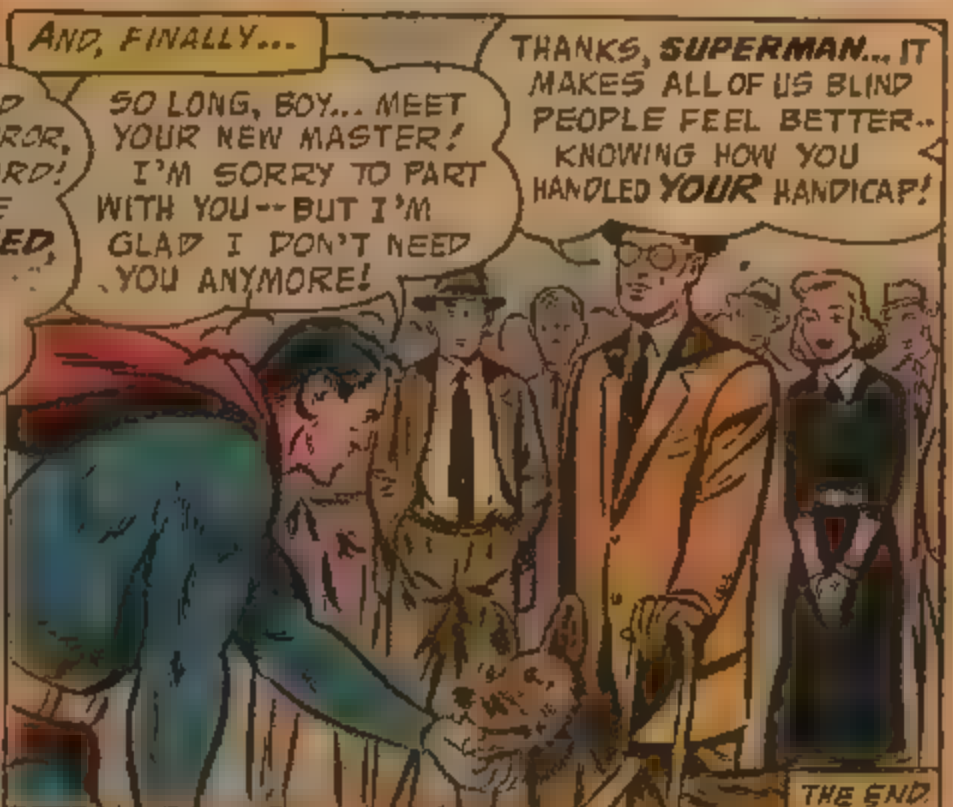
IF LOIS ONLY KNEW HOW I TRICKED HER WITH THIS RING, WHICH I MADE AT THE SAME TIME AS MY LEAD GOGGLES-- AND WORE EVER SINCE-- JUST IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY LIKE THE ONE SHE CREATED!

DAILY PLANET
SUPERMAN'S
SIGHT RESTORED
TO NORMAL



"I SIMPLY HELD IT OVER HER STORY, THEN REMOVED MY LEAD GLASSES AND STARED AT IT FOR A FRACTION OF A SECOND..."

THIS HIGHLY POLISHED LEAD ACTS LIKE A MIRROR, REFLECTING EVERY WORD! I'LL MEMORIZE THE STORY, AT SUPER-SPEED, AND PRETEND TO BE READING IT LATER, WHILE I REALLY RECITE IT!



AND, FINALLY...

SO LONG, BOY... MEET YOUR NEW MASTER! I'M SORRY TO PART WITH YOU-- BUT I'M GLAD I DON'T NEED YOU ANYMORE!

THANKS, SUPERMAN... IT MAKES ALL OF US BLIND PEOPLE FEEL BETTER-- KNOWING HOW YOU HANDLED YOUR HANDICAP!

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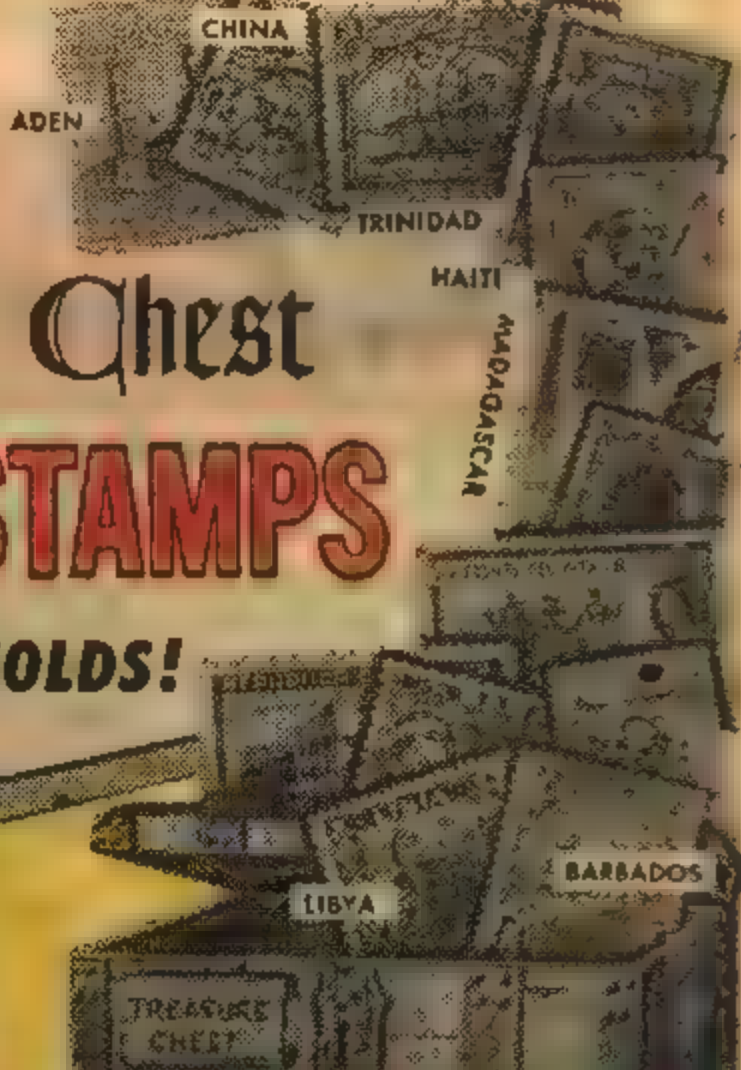
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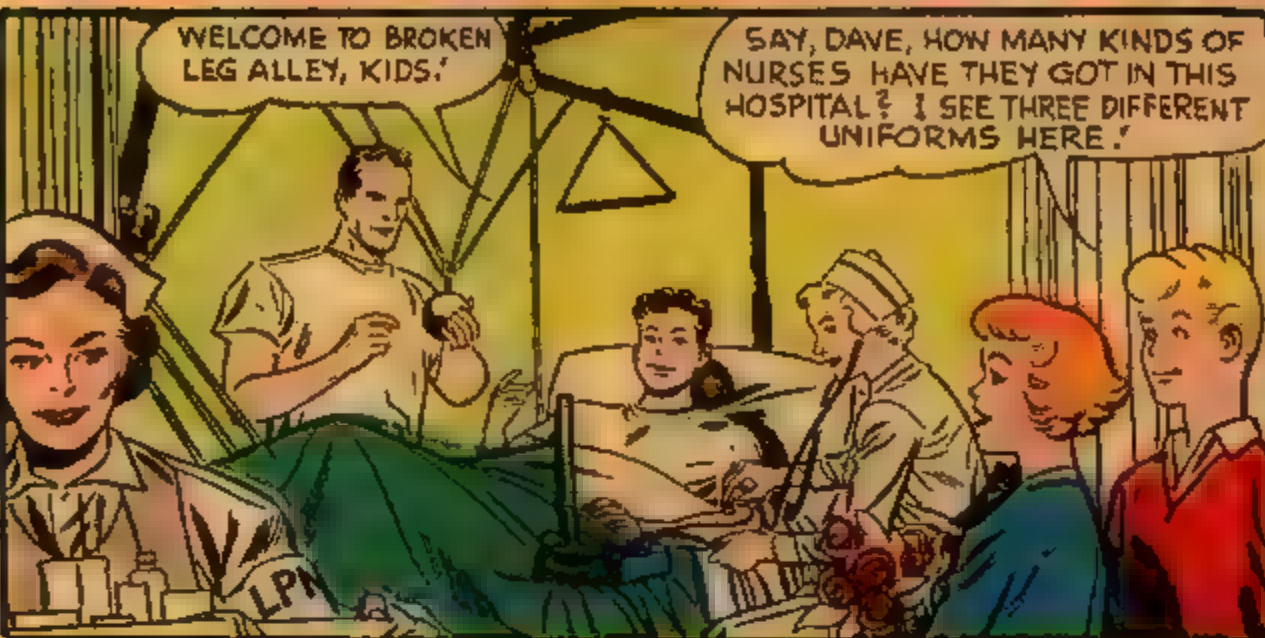
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BILLY learns about CAREERS in NURSING

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SAY, DAVE, HOW MANY KINDS OF NURSES HAVE THEY GOT IN THIS HOSPITAL? I SEE THREE DIFFERENT UNIFORMS HERE!

I WONDER HOW THEY ALL GOT INTO NURSING? I THINK I'LL ASK THEM...



"I WAS A MEDICAL CORPSMAN IN THE WAR. IT WAS PRETTY RUGGED, BUT I HELPED TO SAVE A LOT OF LIVES AND DECIDED IT WAS THE CAREER FOR ME. SO AFTER THE WAR, I TOOK A 3-YEAR COURSE AND BECAME A REGISTERED NURSE, SPECIALIZING IN CARE OF MEN."

"MY HIGH SCHOOL CLUB DID VOLUNTEER WORK AT OUR TOWN'S HOSPITAL. I LEARNED A LOT WATCHING THE STUDENT NURSES AND FOUND I LOVED TAKING CARE OF PEOPLE."



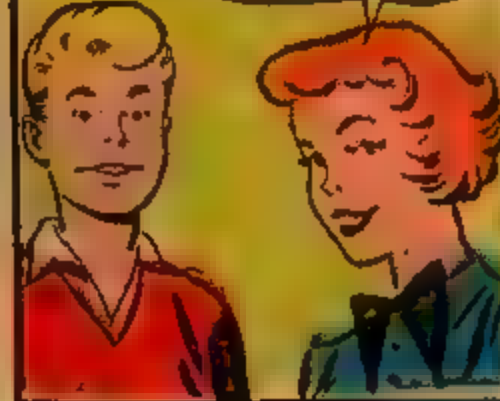
"AFTER A 4-YEAR COLLEGE NURSING COURSE, I BECAME A REGISTERED NURSE. I'M GETTING MARRIED NEXT YEAR, BUT I'LL STILL KEEP ON WITH MY CAREER."

WE HAD A BIG FAMILY, AND I WANTED TO BE SELF-SUPPORTING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. I KNEW ABOUT THE SHORTAGE OF NURSES, AND TOOK A 2-YEAR COURSE TO BECOME A LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE. I LOVE IT BECAUSE I CAN HELP SICK, DISCOURAGED PEOPLE FEEL MORE COMFORTABLE."

SO-LONG, TEAM!

I KNOW YOU'RE JOKING, DAVE, BUT THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT WE ARE--A TEAM, WITH EACH ONE DOING HIS JOB AT HELPING FOLKS GET WELL!

INTERESTED? IF YOU ARE, WRITE NURSING CAREERS, CARE OF YOUR LOCAL POSTMASTER!





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CONGO BILL

with
JANU
The
Jungle
Boy

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE THE JOB OF COUNTING THE EXACT NUMBER OF DANGEROUS ANIMALS IN A LARGE AFRICAN BIG GAME RESERVE? FOR **CONGO BILL**, IT WOULD SEEM AN EASY ENOUGH TASK—BUT LITTLE DOES THE FAMED ADVENTURER REALIZE THE HEADACHES AWAITING HIM, WHEN HE EMBARKS ON...

"THE GREAT JUNGLE ANIMAL COUNT!"



ONE DAY, AS CONGO BILL AND HIS YOUNG PAL, JANU THE JUNGLE BOY, ARRIVE AT A FAMOUS BIG GAME RESERVE...

WHY WE COME HERE, CONGO BILL?

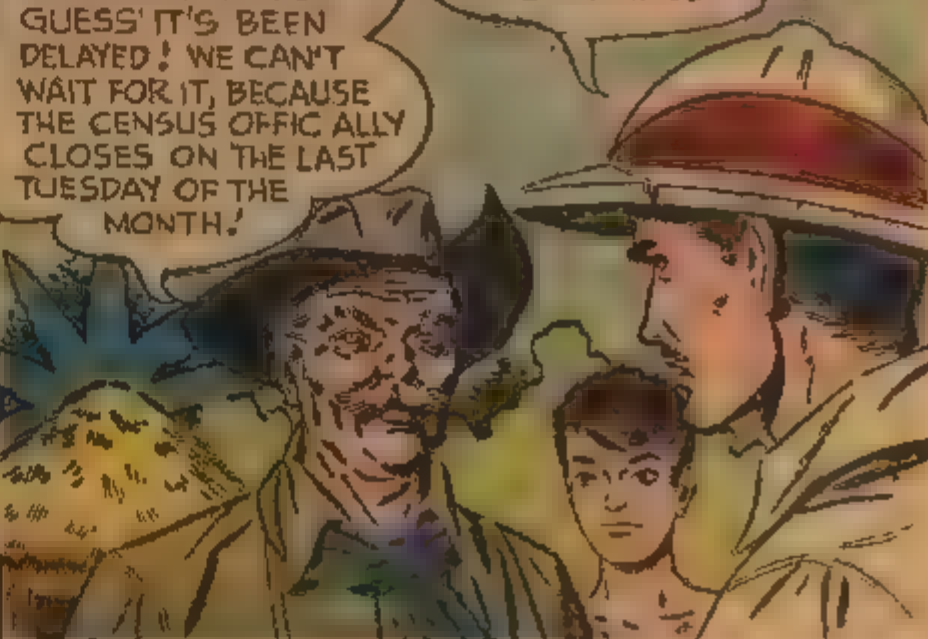
WE'RE TO GUIDE AN ENGLISH **CENSUS TAKER**, WHO WAS SENT TO COUNT ALL THE ANIMALS IN THE RESERVE! IT'LL BE DONE ONCE A YEAR, FROM NOW ON!



AND WHEN THEY MEET UP WITH THE CENSUS TAKER...

A HELICOPTER WAS SUPPOSED TO ARRIVE HERE TO HELP US MAKE THE COUNT—BUT I GUESS IT'S BEEN DELAYED! WE CAN'T WAIT FOR IT, BECAUSE THE CENSUS OFFICE CLOSES ON THE LAST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH!

IT'S JUST AS WELL, MR. HADLEY... THE NOISE FROM THE 'COPTER MIGHT PANIC SOME OF THE ANIMALS!





ACTION COMICS



WHAT THOSE MEN DOING, MR. HADLEY?

HA, HA... WHEN THEY LEARNED ABOUT THE CENSUS, THEY DECIDED TO CONDUCT A POOL! THE MAN WHO GUESSES CLOSEST TO THE NUMBER OF ANIMALS WINS A DONATION TO HIS FAVORITE CHARITY!

BROWN	421
JONSON	578
TRENT	548
WEEMS	1

BUT, JUST THEN...

BAH! THIS POOL IS CHICKEN FEED! WHAT ODDS WILL YOU GIVE ME IF I GUESS THE **EXACT NUMBER** OF ANIMALS IN THE RESERVE?

I'LL GIVE YOU **100-TO-ONE** YOU CAN'T DO IT, WEEMS!

SO WILL I!

OKAY! I GUESS THE CENSUS WILL SHOW THERE ARE--ER-- **EXACTLY 987 ANIMALS** IN THE RESERVE!

HMPH--WEEMS MUST BE CRAZY, THROWING HIS MONEY AWAY ON SUCH A WILD BET!

SHORTLY AFTERWARD, HOWEVER, AS CONGO BILL AND JANU LEAD THE CENSUS TAKER INTO THE JUNGLE RESERVE...

THAT WAS A STUPID BET, WEEMS! HOW CAN YOU HOPE TO HIT THE NUMBER OF ANIMALS RIGHT ON THE NOSE?

FOLLOW ME--AND I'LL SHOW YOU--

SOON, IN WEEMS' SHACK...

SEE?... I CAN'T LOSE, BECAUSE I RENTED A PANORAMIC CAMERA WITH TELESCOPIC LENS, AND A 'COPTER--AND I SNAPPED EVERY SQUARE INCH OF THE JUNGLE RESERVE!

AFTER PIECING THE PHOTOS TOGETHER...

SAY... IT'S A BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF THE **WHOLE RESERVE!** I CAN EVEN SEE THE ANIMALS!

SURE--
987
OF THEM!

BUT NOW WE'VE GOT TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT NO ANIMALS LEAVE OR ENTER THE RESERVE BY THE TIME THE CENSUS IS FINISHED--OR I'LL LOSE MY BET!

AND AS THE CENSUS BEGINS...

WELL, OUR CHARTS ARE READY... WE CAN START COUNTING NOW!

BUT ANIMALS KEEP MOVING AROUND! HOW WE KNOW IF WE DON'T COUNT SAME ANIMAL MANY TIMES?

LIONS
ELEPHANTS
OSTRICHES
HIPPOS
RHINOS
GIRAFFES
LEOPARDS
BUFFALO
GORILLAS
CHIMPS

WITH THIS SPECIAL GUN, JANU! INSTEAD OF BULLETS, IT SHOOTS A RED DYE THAT WILL EVENTUALLY WEAR OFF...

...LIKE THAT!

HA, HA... SOME WATER PISTOL THAT MAKE!

THAT'S OUR FIRST ANIMAL... LET'S CONTINUE!

MEANWHILE, NOT FAR AWAY...

LOOK, WEEMS-- AN OLD MALE LION IS CRASHING THROUGH THE BOUNDARY FENCE!

AND MAKE 988 ANIMALS IN THE RESERVE? OH, NO, HE ISN'T!

BANG!

THUS, AWHILE LATER...

CREEPING CATERpillars! A LION SHOT RIGHT INSIDE THE RESERVE!

HMM... AND FROM HIS RAGGED COAT, I'D SAY THIS LION CAME FROM *OUTSIDE* THE RESERVE, WHERE THERE ARE THORN BUSHES! BUT WHY SHOULD ANYONE WANT TO SHOOT HIM?

COME ALONG, CONGO BILL-- WE CAN'T WASTE TIME OVER DEAD ANIMALS! WE'LL HAVE OUR HANDS FULL COUNTING THE *LIVE* ONES!

IN THE WEEKS THAT FOLLOW, THE TWO ADVENTURERS ADD ANIMAL AFTER ANIMAL TO THE GROWING CENSUS LISTS...

THAT MAKES 699 ANIMALS COUNTED SO FAR!

THAT SMART OF CONGO BILL, COUNTING ELEPHANTS BY RIDE ON BACK OF FEMALE ELEPHANTS—BECAUSE MALES NEVER FIGHT FEMALES!

THIS WATER PISTOL COMES IN HANDY IN MORE WAYS THAN ONE!

PRESENTLY...

THERE'S ONLY A SMALL CORNER OF THE JUNGLE LEFT TO COUNT—AND I HAVE A TOTAL OF 968 ANIMALS SO FAR!

LEAPING LIONS! THAT MAN WEEMS SURE COMING CLOSE TO EXACT AMOUNT!

AT THAT MOMENT...

L-LOOK! ANOTHER ANIMAL SHOT IN RESERVE!

YES—AND THIS ONE, TOO, JUST CAME FROM OUTSIDE! SEE?—THERE ARE BAMBOO SPLINTERS WEDGED INTO ITS FOOT, THOUGH THERE ARE NO BAMBOO TREES IN THE RESERVE!

SOMEONE IS DELIBERATELY KILLING ANIMALS THAT WANDER INTO THE RESERVE... BUT WHY?

SHORTLY, AS THEY CONTINUE COUNTING...

THAT CAVE UP THERE, CONGO BILL... I'M AFRAID YOU'LL HAVE TO TAKE A PEEP INSIDE TO MAKE SURE WE DON'T MISS ANY ANIMALS!

YOU'RE RIGHT, HADLEY...

WHILE NEARBY...

THAT CAVE DIDN'T SHOW UP IN YOUR PHOTOS! IF THERE ARE ANY ANIMALS INSIDE, YOU'RE GOING TO LOSE YOUR BET!

THAT'S RIGHT! KEEP MUM—AND WE'LL SEE WHAT HAPPENS...



AND AS THE COURAGEOUS JUNGLE FIGHTER
NEARS THE CAVERN...
ANIMALS NOT LIKE TO BE
DISTURBED WHILE RESTING IN CAVE... CONGO
BILL BETTER COUNT
FAST!

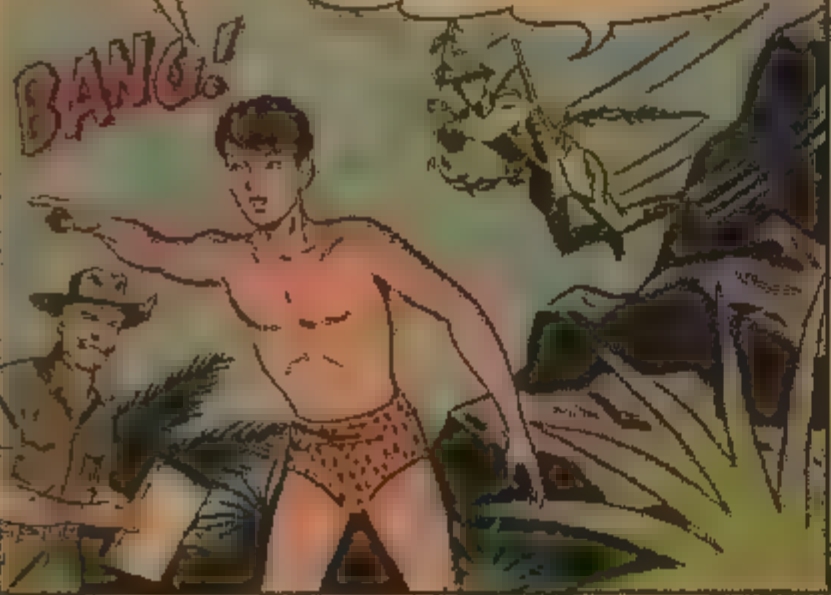


ABRUPTLY... THERE'S **ONE** BLACK LEOPARD
INSIDE--AND HERE HE COMES!



BUT AS THE BEAST RACES AWAY...

A SHOT,
CONGO BILL!
COME ON... HERE'S WHERE
WE FIND OUT WHO'S BEHIND
ALL THIS SHOOTING!



MINUTES LATER...

WEEMS! SO **YOU'RE** THE
ONE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL
THE KILLINGS IN THE
RESERVE!
NO--ER--JUST **THIS**
ONE! I TRIPPED AND
MY RIFLE WENT OFF
BY ACCIDENT! UH--
MEANWHILE, I GUESS
YOU'D BETTER SCRATCH
THIS LEOPARD OFF THE
CENSUS!



NO BELIEVE HIM, CONGO
BILL! HE PROBABLY
COUNT ANIMALS IN
RESERVE EARLIER--
AND WANT TO
MAKE SURE OF
SAME NUMBER
WHEN CENSUS
FINISHED!
THAT'S ROT! HOW
COULD I POSSIBLY
COUNT ALL THE
ANIMALS BEFOREHAND?
NO ONE EVEN KNEW
ABOUT THE CENSUS
UNTIL A WEEK BEFORE
HADLEY ACTUALLY GOT
HERE!



AT THAT INSTANT...
I SEE MY 'COPTER HAS
FINALLY ARRIVED!
THAT'S IT--! THAT'S HOW YOU
DID IT--BY PHOTOGRAPHING
THE RESERVE FROM
ABOVE!



BECAUSE THOSE LIONS APPARENTLY SAW ANOTHER 'COPTER RECENTLY, AND REALIZED IT WOULD NOT HARM THEM! OTHERWISE, THEY'D BE ACTING RESTLESSLY WHEN **THAT** ONE FLEW OVERHEAD!

PRETTY FAST THINKING, CONGO BILL--BUT YOU CAN'T PROVE THAT! AND YOU CAN'T STOP ME FROM WINNING MY BET!



THE CENSUS OFFICIALLY CLOSES IN 15 MINUTES! THAT DOESN'T GIVE YOU MUCH TIME TO FOIL WEEMS' PLAN BY CHASING AN ANIMAL **INTO OR OUT OF THE RESERVE, CONGO BILL!**

AND THAT MEAN HE'LL WIN HIS BET! IT NOT FAIR!



SUDDENLY...

THAT SOUND...

KEE-KAW
KEE-KAW!

CONGO BILL--WHERE YOU GOING?



AWHILE LATER, AS THE ADVENTURER RETURNS FROM THE JUNGLE OUTSIDE THE RESERVE...

WHAT THAT YOU GOT, CONGO BILL?

OUR ONE CHANCE TO PREVENT WEEMS FROM COLLECTING ON AN UNFAIR BET!



BUT AS PRECIOUS MOMENTS PASS...

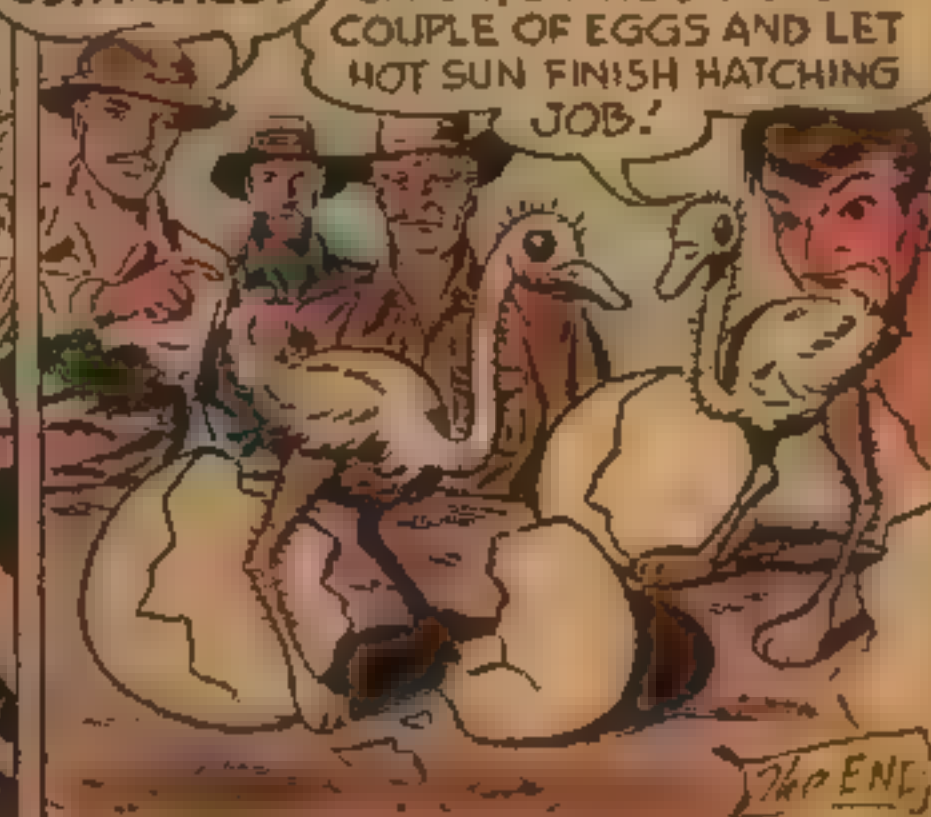
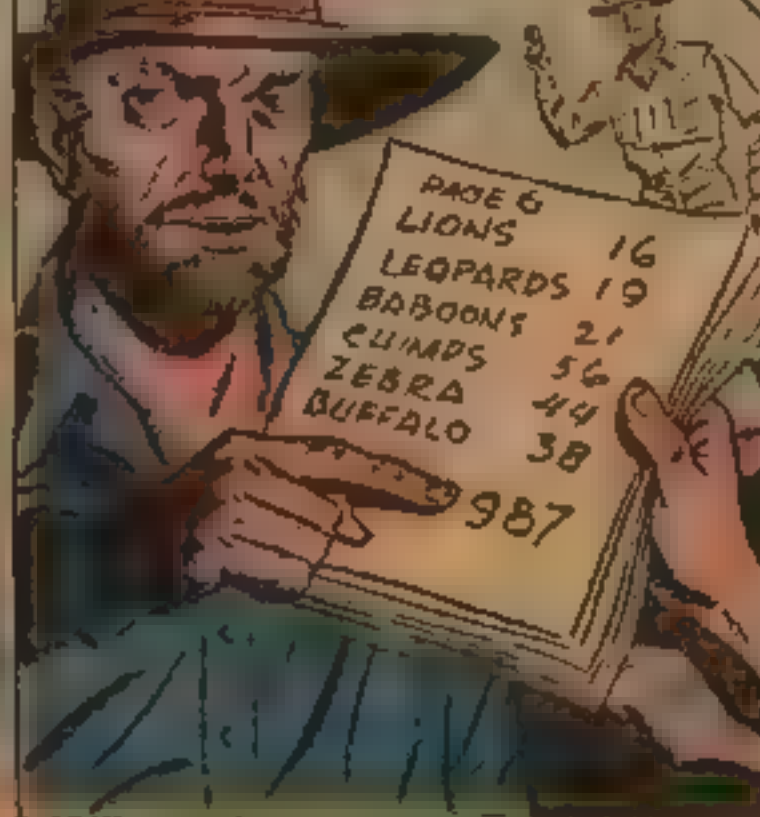
WELL, TIME'S ALMOST UP! I'VE TOTALED THE NUMBER OF ANIMALS IN THE RESERVE...

AND IT'S EXACTLY 987! LOOKS LIKE I WIN!

I'M NOT SO SURE ABOUT THAT, WEEMS! COME UP HERE!

AS YOU CAN SEE THE RESERVE POPULATION HAS JUST BEEN INCREASED BY **TWO BABY OSTRICHES!**

HA, HA... CONGO BILL RECOGNIZE SOUND MOTHER OSTRICH MAKE WHEN IT ABOUT TO HATCH BABY CHICKS! MOTHER TOO FAST TO CATCH, SO HE BORROW COUPLE OF EGGS AND LET HOT SUN FINISH HATCHING JOB!

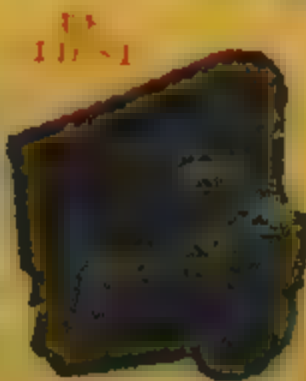


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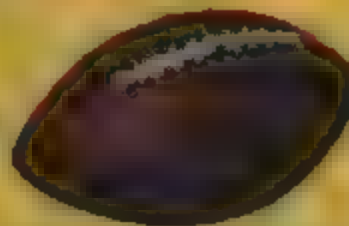
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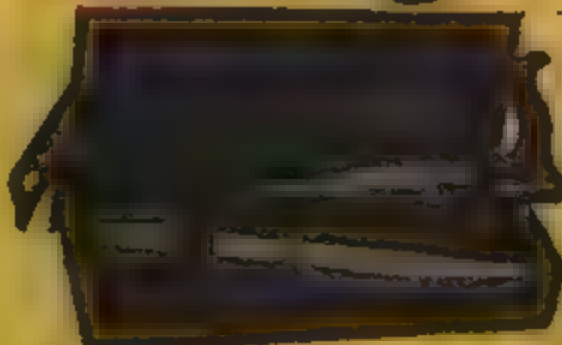
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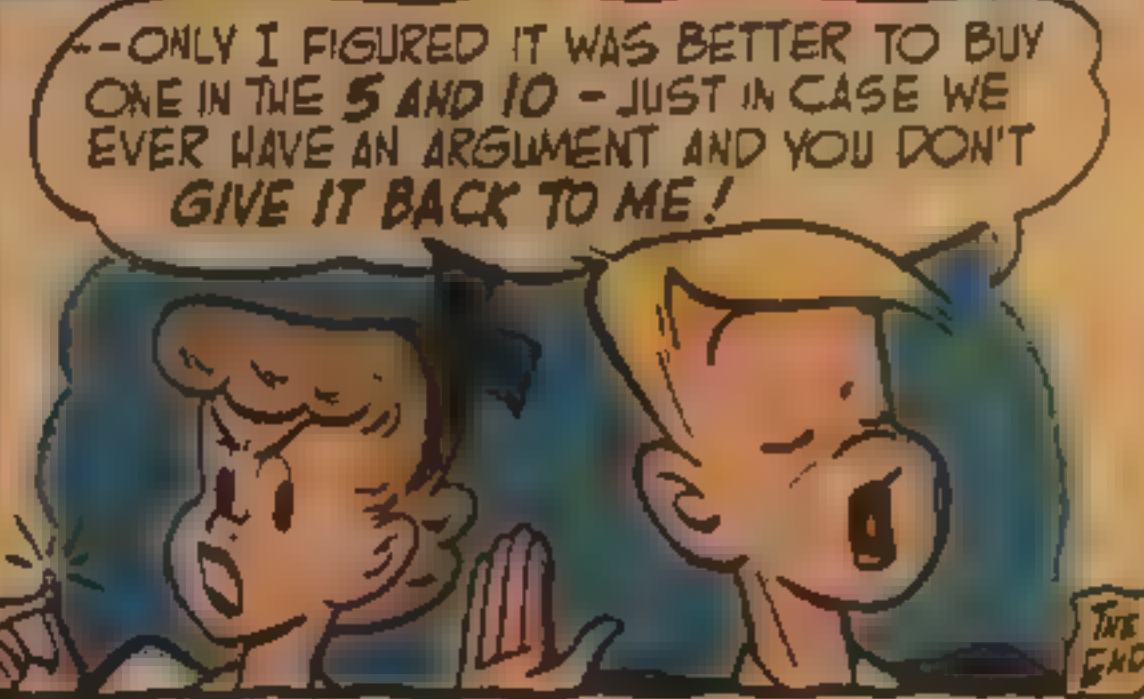
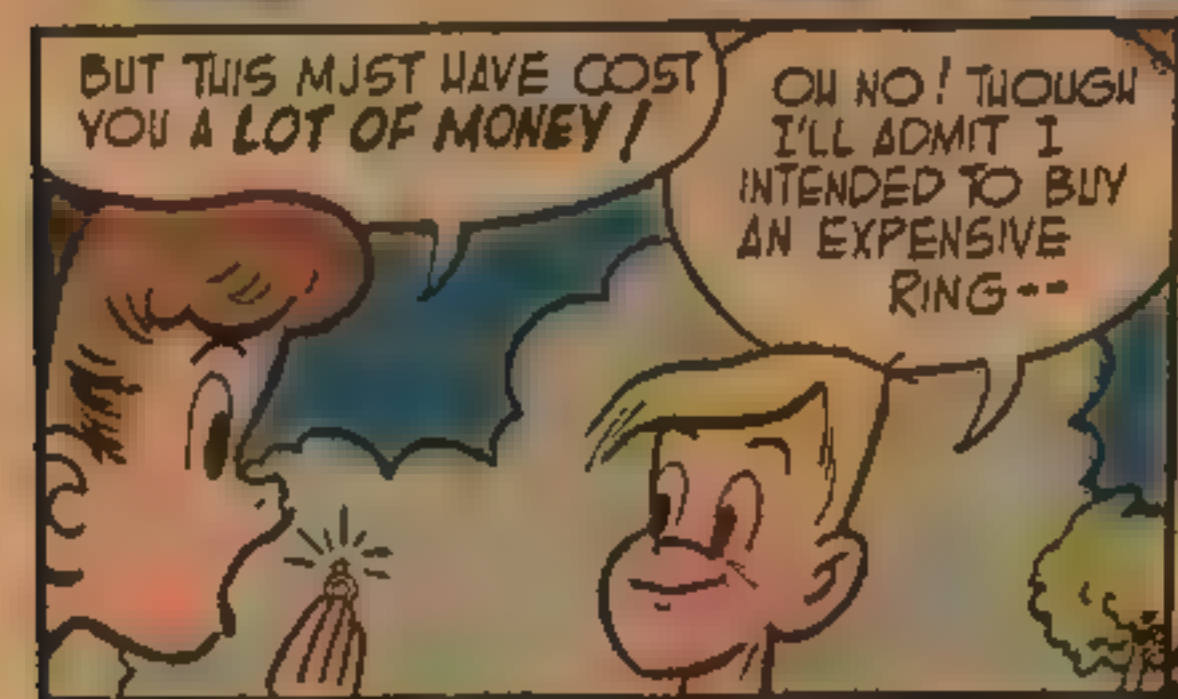
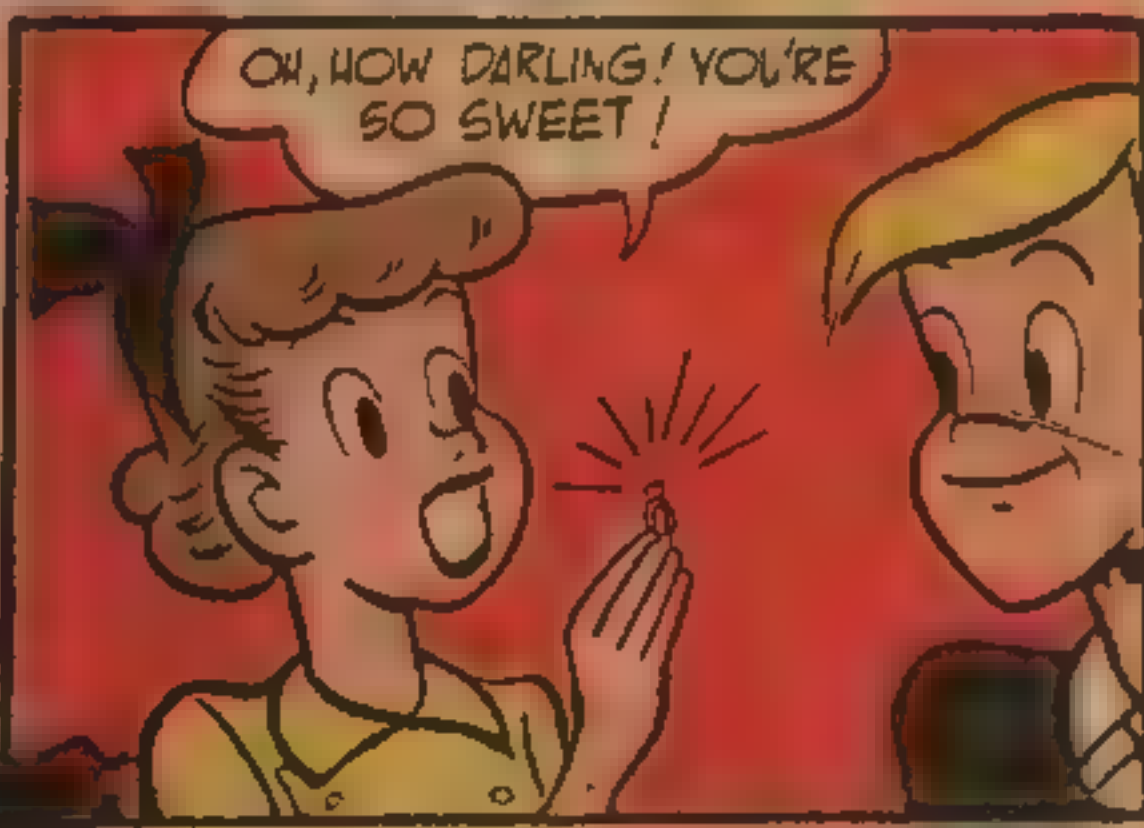
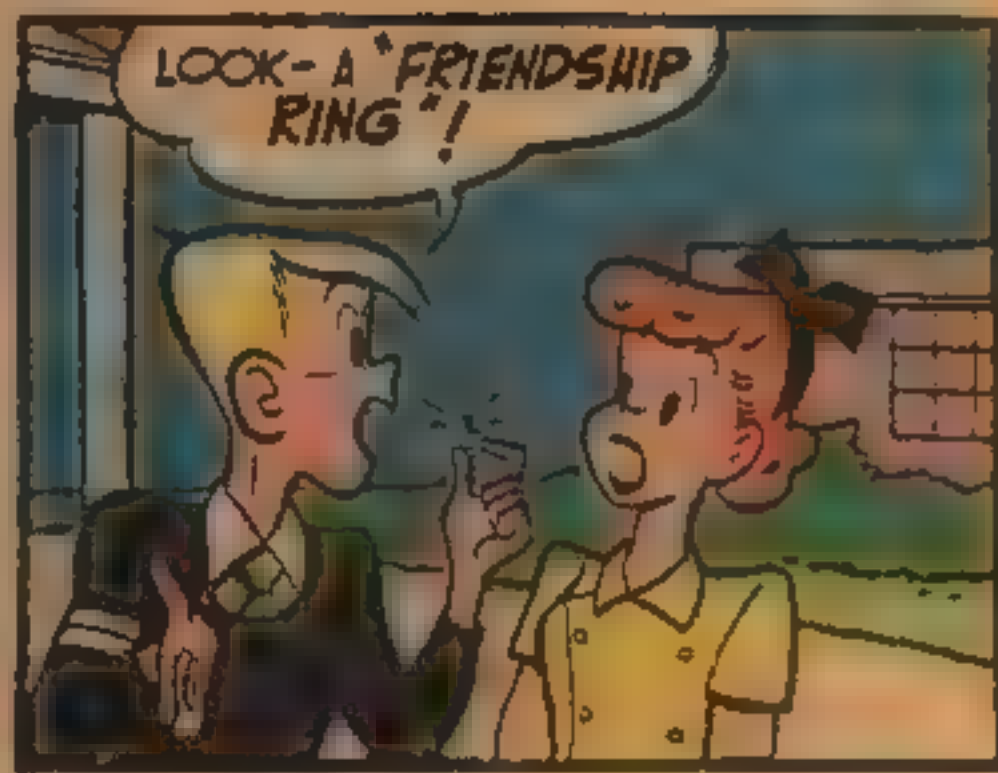
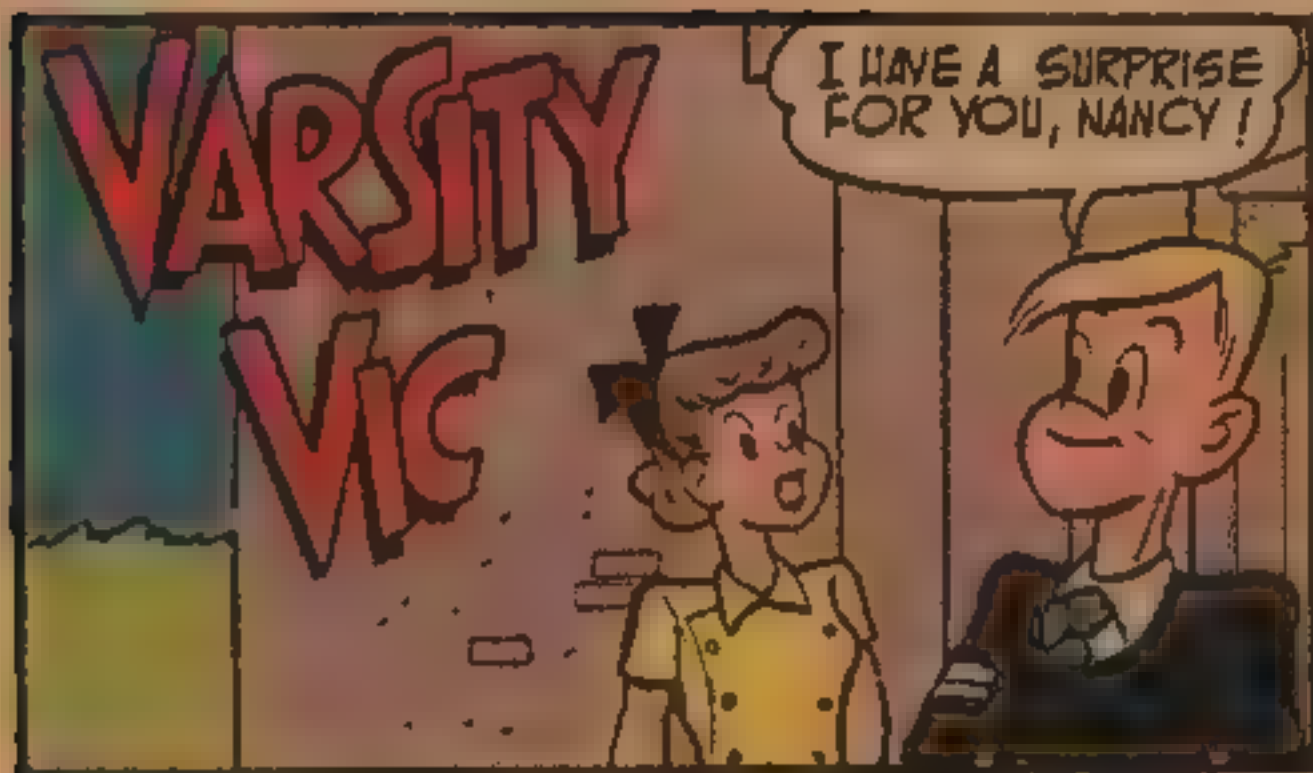
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STRANGE ROAD UNDER THE SEA

TANI is an island, yet it is not quite an island. It lies south of Denmark, amidst The Wades, a wide sweep of North Sea water too shallow for trade by boat. Like many other tiny islands which dot the peninsula of Jutland, it is marked by the unique fact that twice every 24 hours the receding tide reveals a soggy route that stretches to the mainland.

During the last war, every one of the 190 inhabitants of Tani knew about the island's radio, which relayed the movements of German vessels to Allied headquarters in London. It came as no surprise, then, one morning, as a Nazi truck was seen rumbling over the watery track. Fishermen paused, as they mended their nets. Spinners and weavers halted their looms.

"Who is in charge here?" asked the stern lieutenant, as he leaped from the cab of the truck.

A mild-looking, elderly man disengaged himself from the crowd. "I am, sir. Mayor Stockmann, at your service," he said.

"Take me to your radio station at once, and hand over to me its operator! I guarantee when we are through with your island, it would have been better if it had sunk to the bottom of the sea."

The men, and women of Tani gasped in fright, clutching their children to their side. Mayor Stockmann bowed, and obediently led the lieutenant and his men to the station, hidden in the attic of the schoolhouse. "I am the man you are seeking," said the schoolteacher, Torvald Engstrand, suddenly emerging.

"Yes, he is the guilty one," said the Mayor, angrily. "For months he was warned not to meddle in the war.

Now he brings disgrace and ruin upon us all. I beg you, lieutenant, do not shoot him here. Take him back to the mainland, and do what you will!"

At a command, the squad of soldiers streamed into the attic and smashed the radio with their rifle butts. Descending at last to the schoolhouse, overflowing with revenge, they battered the small desks and chairs, wrecked the classroom until it was a mass of rubble.

From their windows, the people of Tani looked on in shocked disbelief at this wanton destruction. "We are good people: we mean no harm," said the Mayor to the lieutenant. "Do not leave so hastily. Engstrand can live to regret his actions for awhile. You and your men have had a wearisome journey. Relax, let me show you the sights of our island, then you can dine before you return."

The lieutenant did not relish the return trip with its damp sea air and biting wind. "You are most kind," he said. "I and my men accept."

Some hours later, fond farewells still echoing in their ears, the Nazis and their prisoner Engstrand moved across the tidal flats in their truck. Mayor Stockmann glanced at his watch. "Hurry, men," he said, with great animation to the half dozen fishermen. "In precisely 23 minutes, the tide will be coming in. As we arranged when we spotted the Nazis coming, we will overtake them in Oswald's boat, as they are trapped by the tide. Once they throw their weapons overboard, we will rescue them—and Engstrand, too.

"Hurry, my dear fellows, hurry," he exhorted them. Engstrand must rebuild his radio to notify London to pick up our prisoners!"



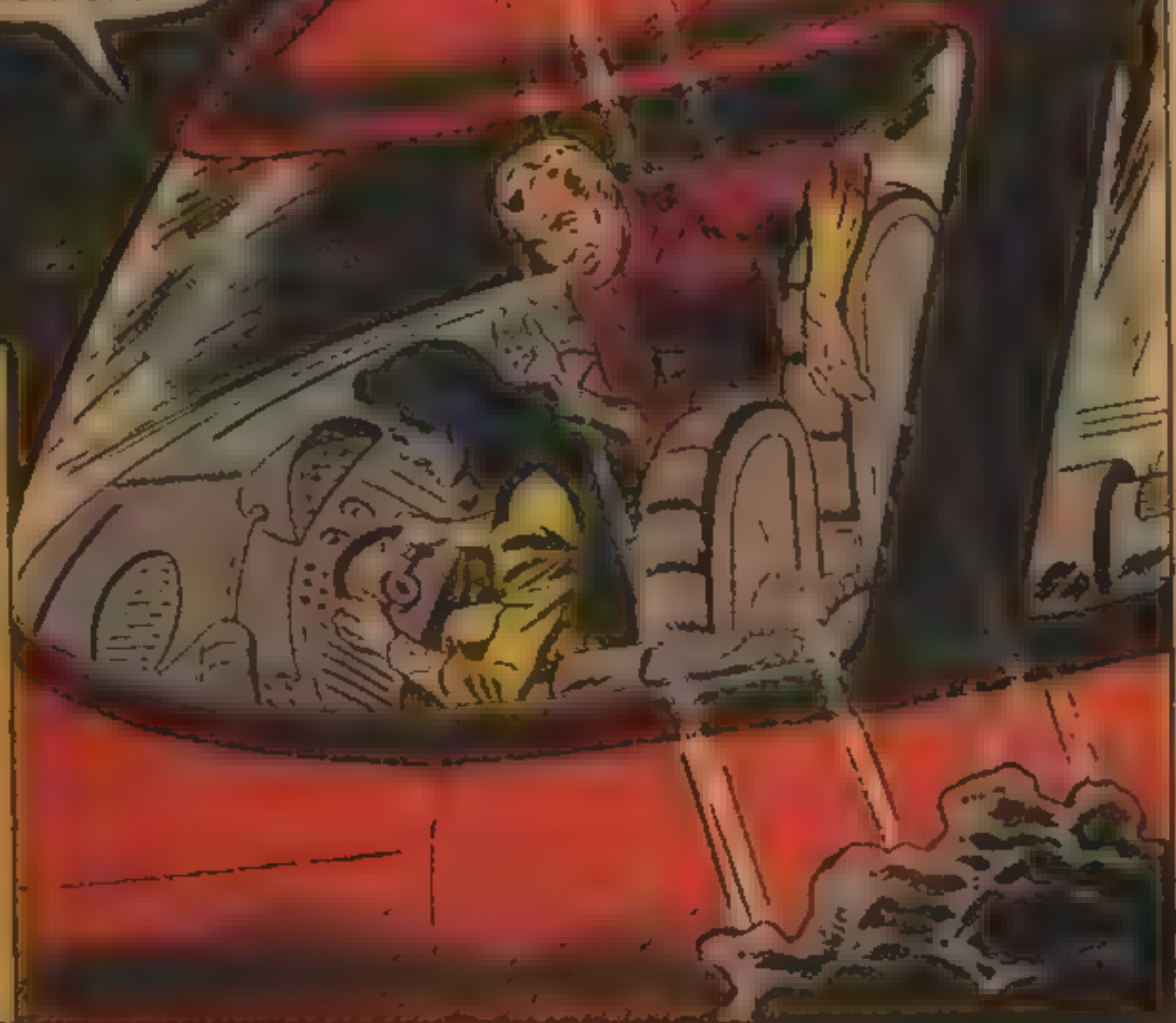
TOMORROW

MISSED THAT METEOR BY A MILE! GOODNESS, THESE SPACE TESTS ARE EASY, COLONEL TOMORROW!

EASY? NINE OUT OF TEN MEN WOULD FLUNK THEM!

WOULD YOU BELIEVE THAT A ROOKIE PLANETEER CAN DISPLAY COURAGE AND SKILL EQUAL TO THAT OF TOMMY TOMORROW HIMSELF?... THAT A MERE RECRUIT CAN PERFORM THE SAME FEATS AS THE ACE PLANETEER? AND WHAT WILL YOU SAY WHEN THIS AMAZING NOVICE TURNS OUT TO BE...

THE GIRL PLANETEER



AT PLANETEER HEADQUARTERS, COLONEL TOMMY TOMORROW AND HIS COMMANDANT CHECK IN THE LATEST GROUP OF RECRUITS...

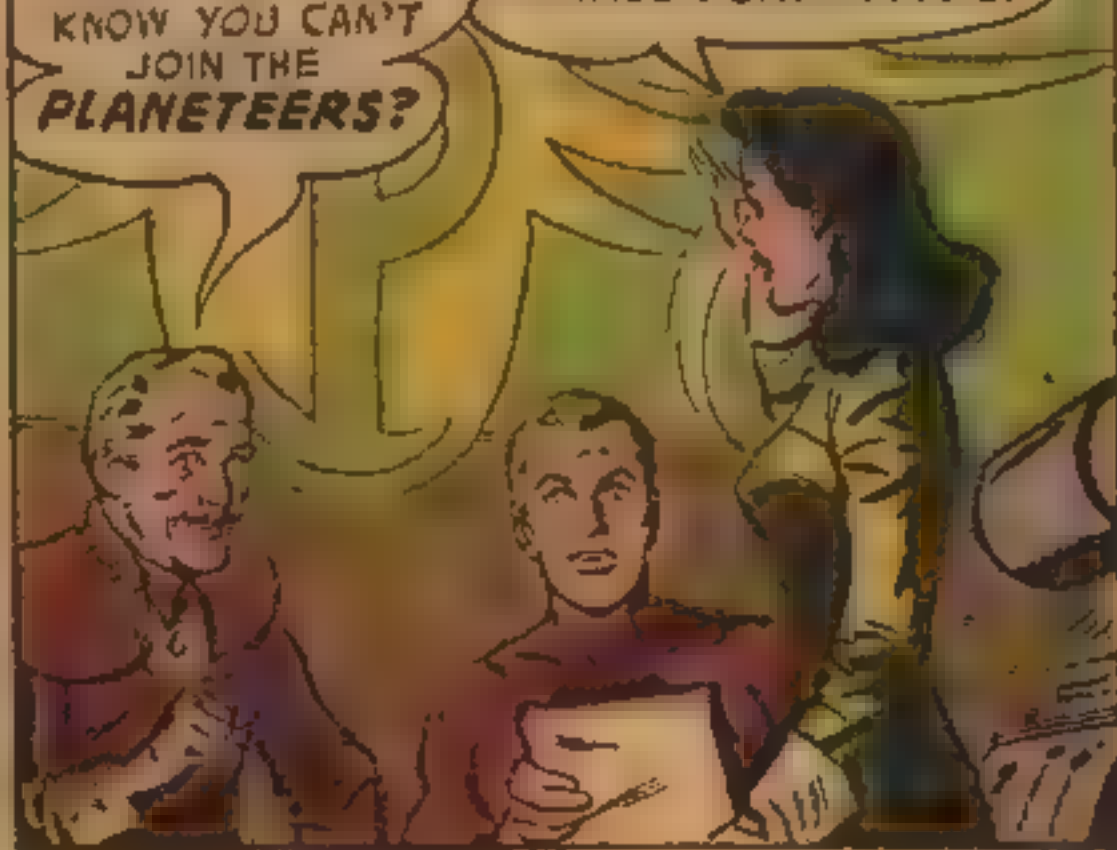
WHO'S NEXT ON THE LIST, COLONEL TOMORROW?

A MAN NAMED JERRY HALE, SIR...



A MAN?... NAMED WHAT...? GREAT STARS, YOUNG LADY-- DON'T YOU KNOW YOU CAN'T JOIN THE PLANETEERS?

WHY NOT, SIR? THERE'S NOTHING IN YOUR REGULATIONS AGAINST FEMALE PLANETEERS!



UH... I'M AFRAID SHE'S RIGHT, SIR! NOBODY THOUGHT IT NECESSARY TO... ER... EXCLUDE GIRLS!

AND REMEMBER--YOU'RE NOT TO BE LENIENT WITH HER, JUST BECAUSE SHE'S A GRL!

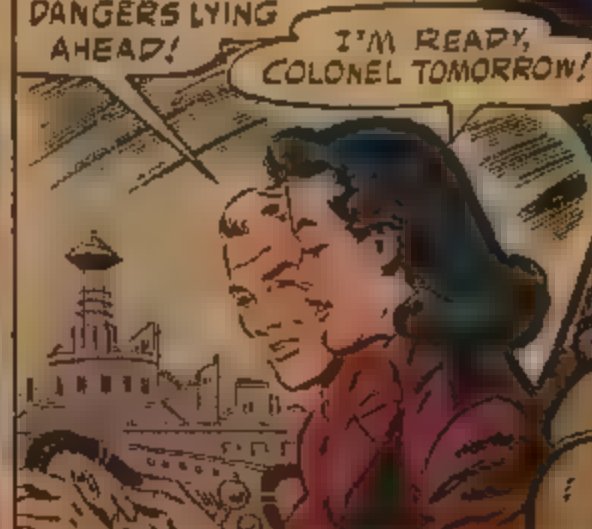
THUS, AWHILE LATER, AS TOMMY AND THE NEW "RECRUIT" TAKE OFF FOR OUTER SPACE...

WELL, I WON'T HAVE IT! TAKE HER OUT ON HER TEST FLIGHT--AT ONCE! SHE'LL CERTAINLY FAIL IT!

DON'T WORRY, SIR... SHE'LL HAVE TO BE AS GOOD AS ANY MAN ON THE FORCE, IF SHE HOPES TO GET MY APPROVAL!

YOU DRIVE... ER... CADET! I'LL BE READY TO TAKE OVER AT THESE DUAL CONTROLS, IF YOU FAIL! I CAN'T REVEAL THE DANGERS LYING AHEAD!

I'M READY, COLONEL TOMORROW!



WITHIN MINUTES, THEY APPROACH THEIR FIRST OBSTACLE...



THOSE GIANT SPACE ICICLES CAN PIERCE A SHIP LIKE AN EGGSHELL! JERRY WILL PROBABLY GIVE UP RIGHT NOW!

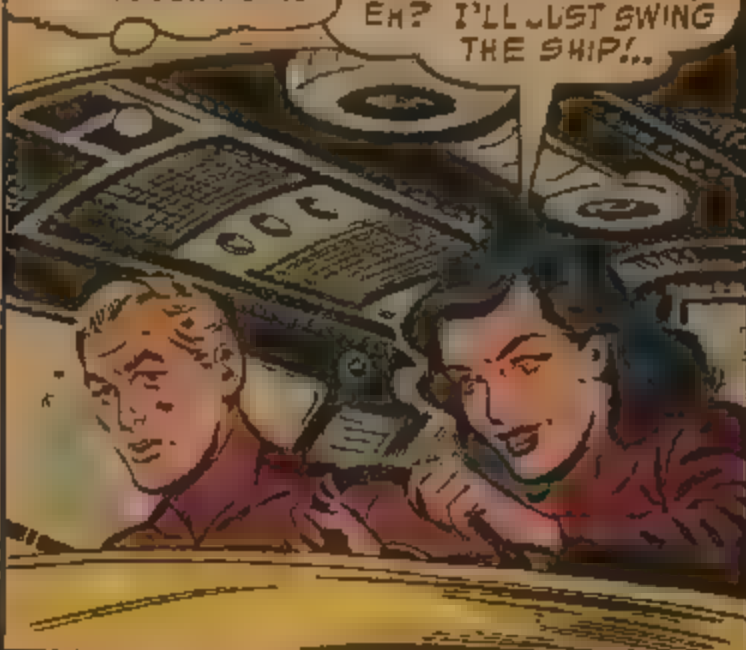
BUT, WITH THE DEADLY MISSILES PRACTICALLY UPON THEM...

WHY, SHE'S AS COOL AS A CUCUMBER!

THOSE ICICLES WOULD SCARE ME, EH? I'LL JUST SWING THE SHIP!...

... AND USE THE HOT ROCKET BLASTS TO MELT THEM! HOW'S THAT, COLONEL TOMORROW?

UH--GOOD, JERRY... BUT THAT WAS THE EASIEST ONE!



GRIM INDEED IS THE NEXT FANTASTIC MENACE...

THE **ELECTRIC RAINBOW** IS CHARGING OUR WHOLE SHIP! IF JERRY KEEPS HOLDING THE WHEEL, A SHOCK WILL MAKE HER LOSE CONTROL!

BUT ONCE AGAIN, THE GIRL CADET USES HER WITS

THE WHEEL IS SPARKING... SO I'LL STEER WITH MY FEET! OUR BOOTS HAVE INSULATED RUBBER BOTTOMS!

JUMPING JUPITER! HOW DOES SHE FIGURE OUT THE SOLUTION SO QUICKLY EACH TIME?

OVER AND OVER, THE PLUCKY LASS WINS THROUGH AGAINST THE INCREDIBLE HAZARDS OF THE GRUELING TEST...

IT'S SAFE TO PASS BETWEEN THE POLES OF THAT **MAGNETIC METEOR**, WHERE THE MAGNETIC PULL IS EQUALIZED!

SPINNING THE SHIP LIKE A BULLET CREATES ENOUGH WIND TO KEEP FROM MELTING IN THE **FIRE AURORA**!

SHIPS GET TANGLED IN THE **SARGASSO SEA OF SPACE**... UNLESS YOU BLOW A PATH THROUGH WITH A BOMB!

HO HUM... WHEN DO WE REACH THE **TOUGH OBSTACLES**, COLONEL TOMORROW?

SHE'S MOCKING ME NOW... BUT THE NEXT ONE CAN'T FAIL! IT'S A DIFFERENT TYPE OF TEST, IN WHICH **HER SKILL IS MATCHED AGAINST MINE!**

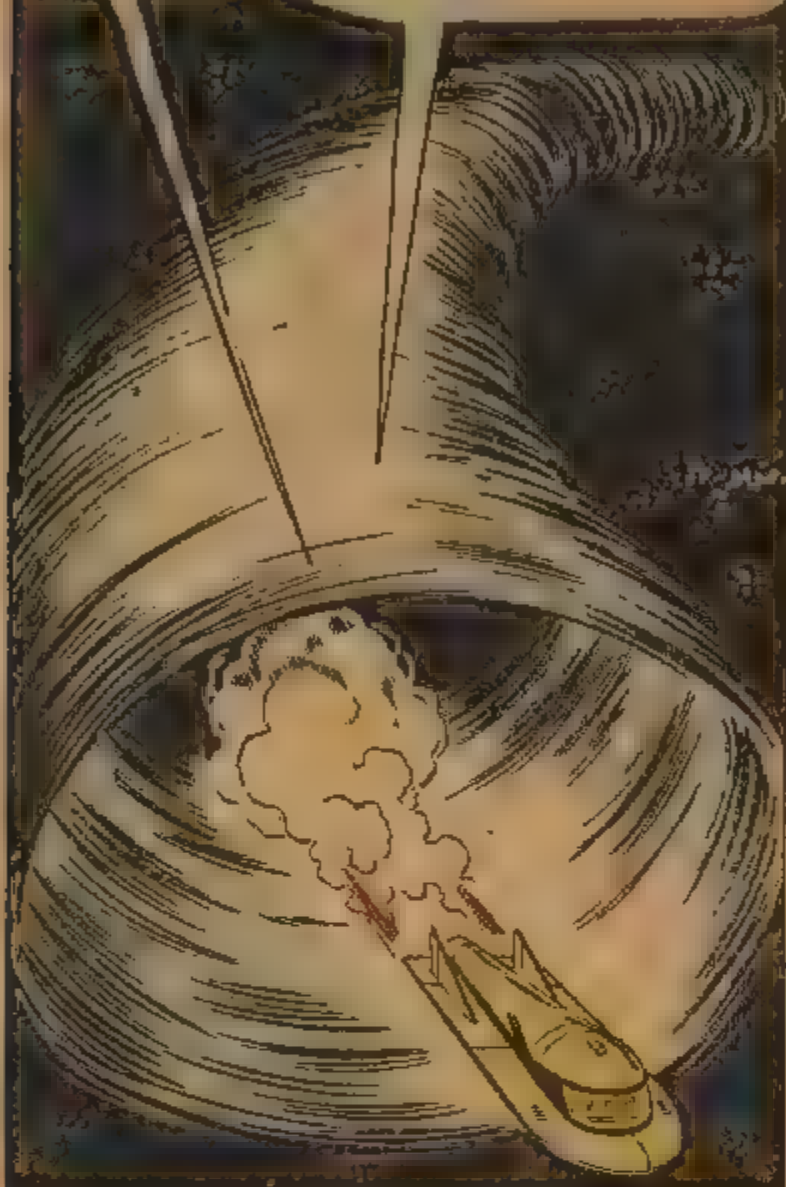
HOW CAN A MERE GIRL EQUAL WHAT THE **ACE PLANETEER** NEXT DEMONSTRATES?...

ONLY HIGH SPEED CAN GET A SHIP THROUGH THIS **SPACE HURRICANE!** OOF!... HARD ENOUGH FOR A MAN TO HOLD ONTO THE WHEEL! HOW CAN A GIRL DO IT? GIVE UP, JERRY?

IN ANSWER, JERRY SIMPLY CIRCLES BACK TOWARD THE HURRICANE, AND...

WHY NOT DO IT THE **EASY** WAY, COLONEL TOMORROW?

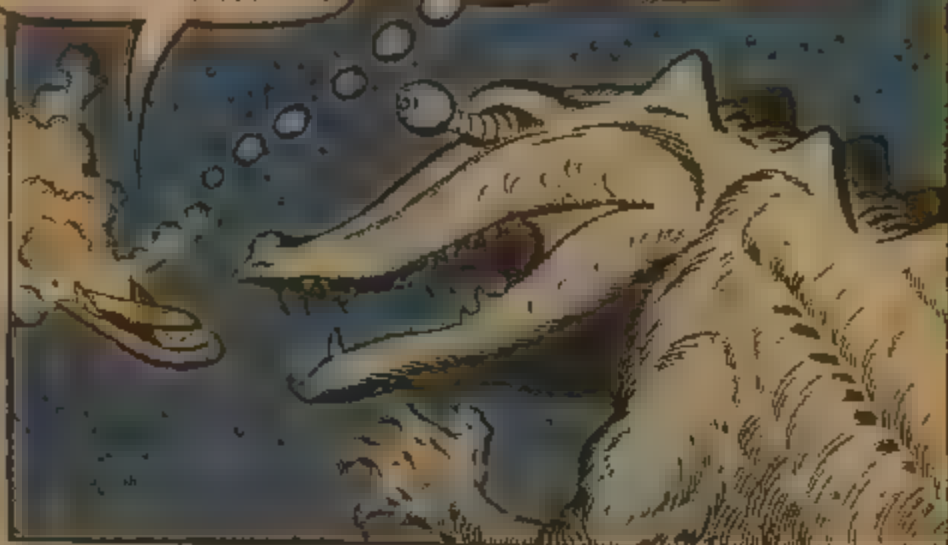
SUFFERING SATURN! SHE WENT THROUGH THE **EYE** OF THE HURRICANE--THE CALM AREA! SHE SURE KNOWS HER SPACE FACTS!



A MOMENT LATER, HOWEVER...

GOODNESS! WE'RE APPROACHING A GIGANTIC **SPACE DRAGON!**

AH-- HERE'S A **REAL TEST OF WITS!** ALL SHE HAS TO DO IS TURN THE SHIP AWAY, AND SHE'LL FAIL!



WHAT DOES TOMMY MEAN BY THAT? CAN YOU GUESS?

HMM... SUPPOSE I KEEP GOING-- RIGHT INTO ITS JAWS?

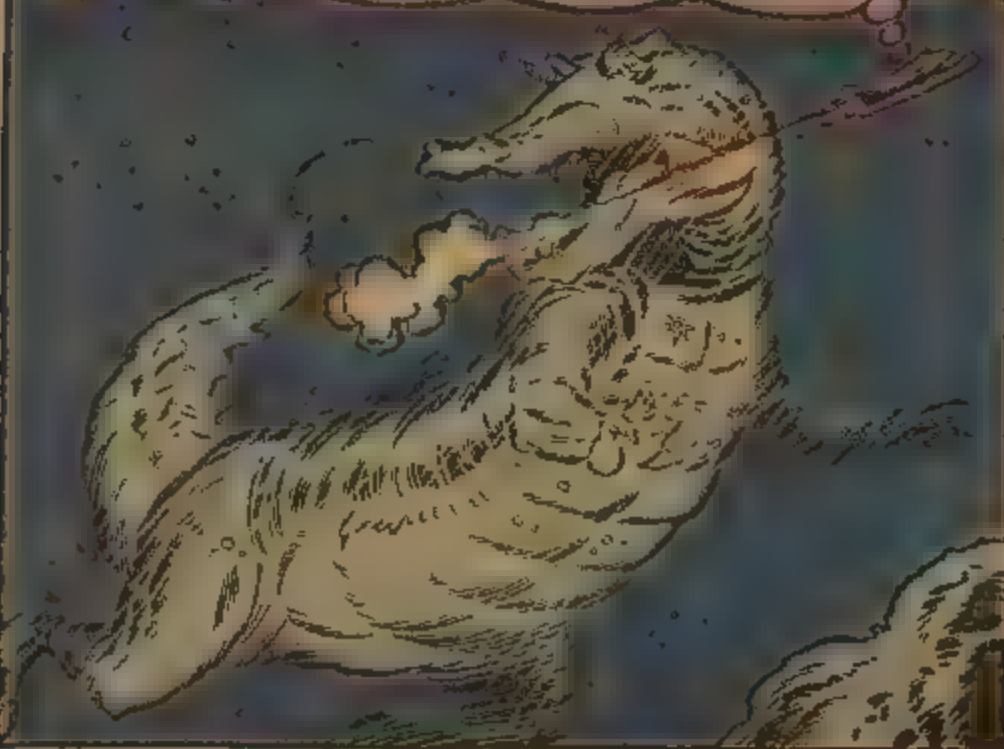
LEAVING LUNA! SHE DID THE **RIGHT THING!**



SHE WAS SHARP-EYED ENOUGH TO NOTICE THE STARS SHINING THROUGH THE "DRAGON"! IT'S ONLY A **SPACE MIRAGE**, REFLECTED FROM THE NEARBY **DESERT ASTEROID!**

EGULP! SH-SHE PASSED EVERY TEST! WHAT'LL THE COMMANDANT SAY, WHEN I REPORT BACK?

BAH! YOU'RE TOO SOFT-HEARTED! YOU PROBABLY LET HER OFF EASY! SOME **PLANETEER** YOU ARE!

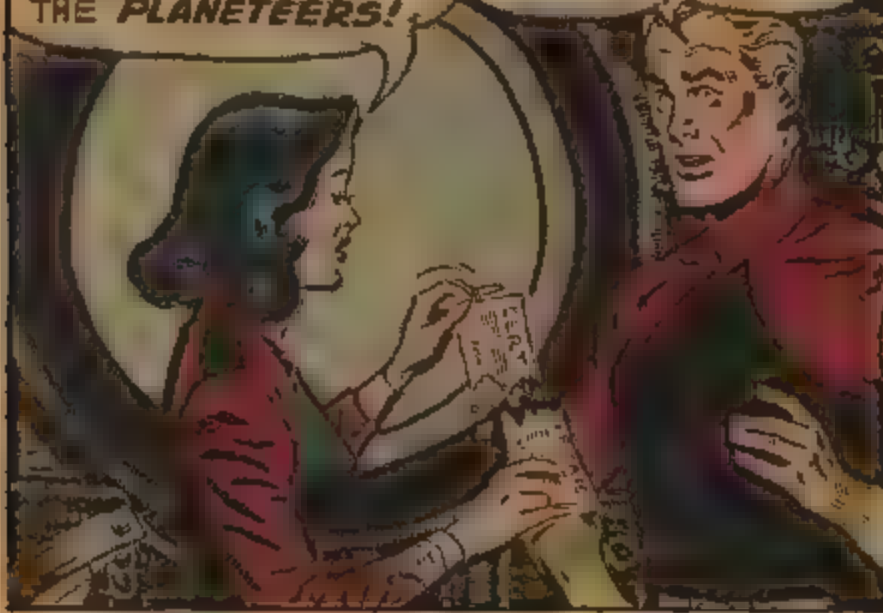




YET, AT THE END OF THE SPACE TEST, AS TOMMY HANDS THE GIRL HER PASSING CERTIFICATE...

NEVER MIND, COLONEL TOMORROW... I DON'T REALLY WANT TO JOIN THE **PLANETEERS**!

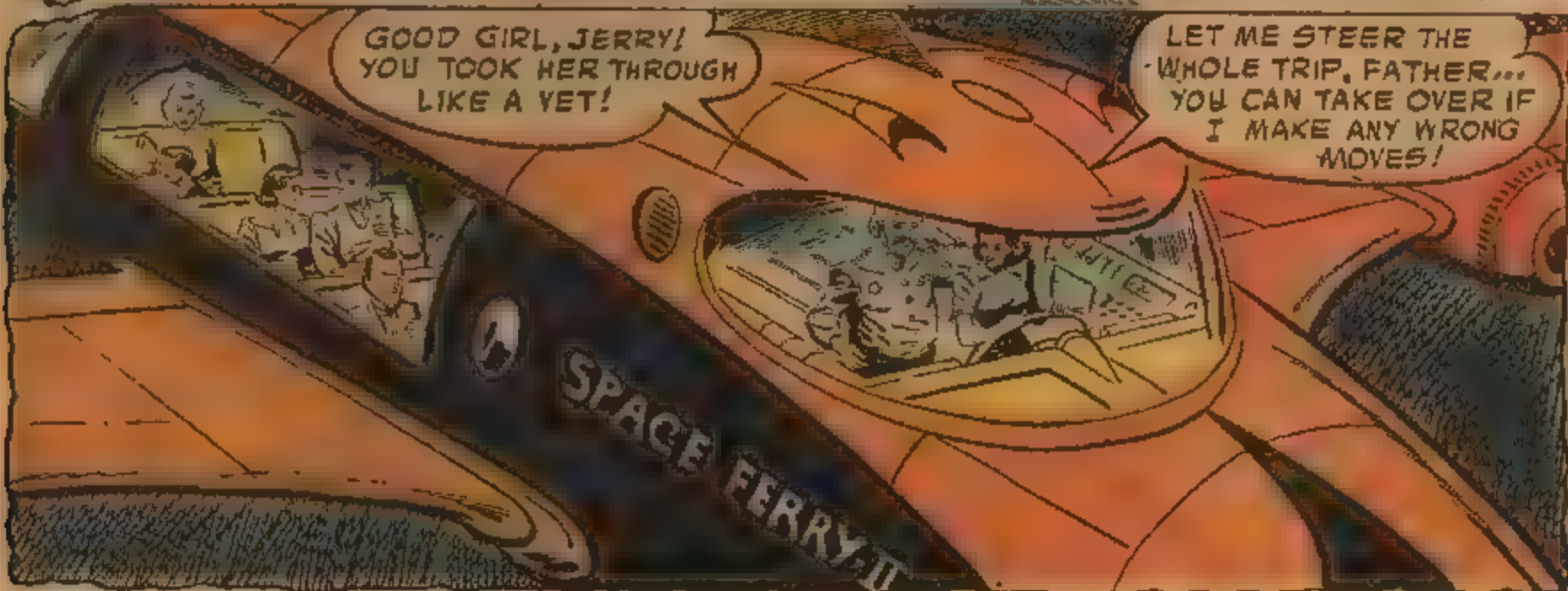
GREAT COMETS! BUT... THEN--WHY DID YOU TAKE THE TEST?



ONLY TO GET A FREE TRIP HERE, TO THIS ASTEROID CALLED **LITTLE EARTH**! I KNEW IT LAY AT THE END OF THE TEST ROUTE, SO I PRETENDED I WAS A CADET! AS FOR THE SPACE DANGERS, I KNEW THEM BLINDFOLDED!



YOU SEE, BEFORE MY FATHER DIED, HE SKIPPERED A **SPACE FERRYBOAT** FROM EARTH TO **LITTLE EARTH**! FOR YEARS, I TOOK TRIPS WITH HIM, LEARNING EVERY TRICK..."



GOOD GIRL, JERRY! YOU TOOK HER THROUGH LIKE A YET!

LET ME STEER THE WHOLE TRIP, FATHER... YOU CAN TAKE OVER IF I MAKE ANY WRONG MOVES!

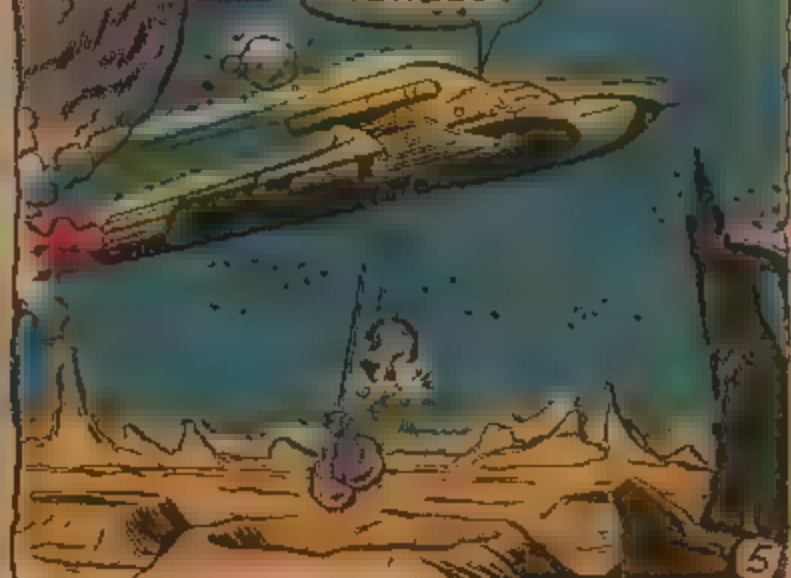
NO WONDER YOU PASSED WITH FLYING COLORS! BUT JERRY, YOU ONLY WASTED MY TIME AND COST THE **PLANETEERS** PLENTY FOR THIS EXPENSIVE TRIP!

I'LL MAKE IT UP... IF I FIND THE TREASURE I'M LOOKING FOR!



ON HIS LAST TRIP, DAD HAD TO JETTISON SOME VALUABLE CARGO, WHEN..."

MOTOR CONKED OUT! GOT TO LIGHTEN THE SHIP, OR WE'LL CRASH! I'LL DUMP THESE JEWELS!



NOBODY BLAMED MY FATHER, SINCE HE SAVED MANY LIVES! BUT HE FELT IT WAS A BLEMISH ON HIS RECORD--AND SO, ON HIS DEATHBED, HE MADE ME PROMISE TO BRING BACK THE JEWELS!

WHICH CRATER WAS IT?

THIS ONE... BUT LOOK! IT'S FILLED WITH DEADLY ATOMIC RADIATIONS! NOBODY CAN CLIMB DOWN FOR THE JEWELS! SOB! I... I CAN'T KEEP MY PROMISE TO DAD AFTER ALL!

HMMN...

IF WE CAN'T GO DOWN, WHY NOT MAKE THE JEWELS COME UP TO US? AT FULL POWER, MY RAY-GUN WILL MELT STONE INTO LAVA, FILLING THE CRATER!

BEING LIGHTER THAN LAVA, THE JEWELS FLOATED TO THE TOP! WE CAN PICK THEM UP AFTER THE LAVA COOLS!

OH, TOMMY! I ONLY REPEATED SPACE TRICKS I KNEW BY HEART... BUT YOU SOLVED A **NEW** PROBLEM THAT STUMPED ME COMPLETELY! YOU'RE STILL THE **ACE PLANETEER!**

LATER, UPON REPORTING BACK TO HEAD-QUARTERS...

COLONEL TOMORROW-- I'VE BEEN THINKING... WHY NOT START A **NEW GIRLS' CORPS OF PLANETEERS?** THAT JERRY HALE WOULD'VE FIT IN PERFECTLY!

OH, NO!

AND SO, SOME DAYS AFTERWARD, WHILE TESTING ANOTHER ROOKIE...

THE JEWEL MINERS GAVE JERRY HALE A GENEROUS REWARD! SHE PAID THE **PLANETEERS** FOR THAT EXPENSIVE TRIP, AND HAD ENOUGH LEFT FOR THAT MEMORIAL TO HER FATHER! WHAT A GIRL!

IN MEMORIAM
OF
CAPTAIN HALE

WELL, FORGET HER!

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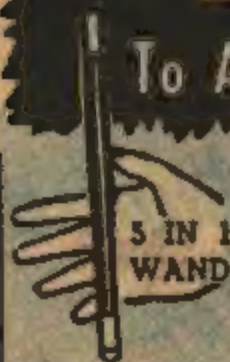
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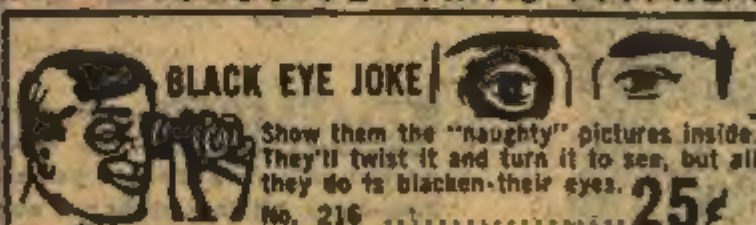


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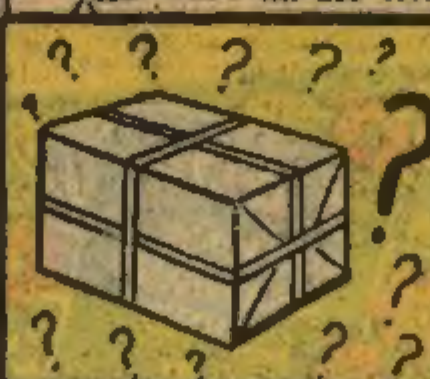
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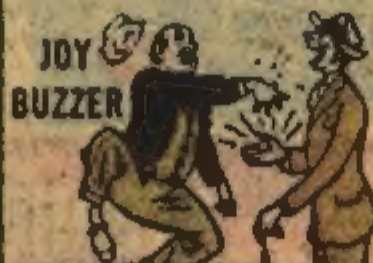
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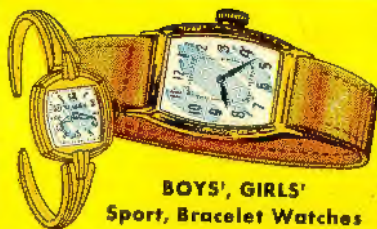




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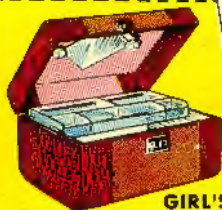
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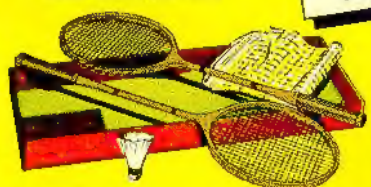
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